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# Victoria gets World final!

By LAURIE SCHWAB

**THE final of the 1981 FIFA world youth tournament for the Coca Cola Cup will almost certainly be played in Melbourne.**

Matches in the series between the 16 finalists will be spread between Newcastle, Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide and Brisbane.

**The tournament will last for about 19 days and the ideal time would be in May.**

Australia was decided upon as the venue for the 1981 finals during discussions between Australian Soccer Federation and FIFA officials in Sydney on Monday.

The FIFA officials are Mr Sepp Blatter and Vice-president Mr Harry Cavan. They were on their way to Japan for the draw for this year's youth tournament finals.

Australia failed to qualify for the finals. Paraguay won the remaining vacancy (see separate story).

Australia was under close consideration two years ago as host nation for this year's finals but when Japan was chosen instead, FIFA indicated the Australia would be the front-runner for the 1981 tournament.

As host nation, the Australian team will automatically qualify for the 1981 finals.

## NOT A SINGLE GOAL

From PEDRO BLANCA

**ASUNCION, Paraguay — Australia failed to score a single goal in the World Youth Championship qualifying tournament against Paraguay and Israel here.**

The young Socceroos drew 0-0 with Israel and lost 0-3 to Paraguay in their last two matches. Paraguay's victory was its third in a row, and gave it a place in the finals along with the USSR, Japan, Poland, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Spain, Portugal, Mexico, Canada, South Korea, North Korea, Guinea, Algeria, Uruguay and Argentina.

The finals will be played from August 25 to September 7 at Osaka, Hiroshima and Kobe in Japan.

The Paraguayans defeated Australia 2-0 in the opening game of the series on February 7. Australia and Israel tied 0-0 in the second game on February 9. Paraguay beat Israel 3-0 in the third game and Australia and Israel played a second scoreless draw in the fourth game. (The result of the second Paraguay v. Israel match was not available at Press time.)

Paraguay's Romero opened the scoring against Australia with a header after 24 minutes of the game, before 40,000 fans — including Paraguayan president Alfredo Stroessner — at Defensores Del Chaco stadium.

The second goal came from a penalty by Vera just on half time after a foul by Ian Rowden on Cabanas.

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• Footscray J.U.S.T. emerged as Victoria's team of the moment when it beat Fitzroy 3-2 in a practice match last Sunday while South Melbourne lost 1-2 to Canberra. SAM BELFONTE'S photos from those matches show, top left: Canberra's Keni Kawaleva consoling goalkeeper

Steve Hoszowski after Souths had taken a 1-0 lead; top right: Footscray's new goalkeeper Steve Potter (ex-Swansea) making a spectacular save, and, bottom: Duncan Cummings (No. 8) scoring for South Melbourne. Others in the picture, from left: Luis Salgado, goalkeeper Hoszowski, Kawaleva, Isaac Farrell, Alan Evans.

## George Cross kicked off Olympic Park

**George Cross, once the pride of Australian soccer, does not have a home ground for the 1979 season.**

The 1964 Australian Cup winner has had its application for continued use of Olympic Park refused by the ground's committee of management.

Successful applicants are Fitzroy and Footscray for the main stadium and Juventus and Essendon-Croatia for the greyhound track.

George Cross vice president Alf Zahra said this week: "We are bitterly disappointed. We were told only that our application had been refused. We were given no reason."

Mr Zahra said he would ask Footscray J.U.S.T. president Mr Tony Kovac whether George Cross could use Schintler Reserve as its 1979 home ground.



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The marketing development manager of Dunlop Footwear, Mr Jim Mercer, says he believes the sponsorship is the "first of its kind of soccer in the world."



# Lets' stop kidding the public

Over the past few years, we have seen few touring teams with real flair, real commitment.

Wisla Krakow, for example, came with a big reputation but did little to justify our expectations.

In their 1-1 draw with South Australia in Adelaide last week, the Polish players were happy just to push the ball around to one another for 45 minutes without doing anything creative or entertaining.

Perhaps South Australia couldn't match them in skill, but what is skill without goals?

One would applaud the Polish skills and their many one-twos if they walked the ball into the net five or six times but the truth is that for the last half hour against South Australia, they were fighting for survival.

The spectators are charged \$7 but for what? They will be kidded no longer!

We saw by the low attendances at Wisla's games that the public now demands only the very best.

So we must give them the best, regardless of the cost.

Let's have a quick look at the teams that have visited Australia in recent years. Some have provided value, but too many have disappointed.

Red Star played champagne football on its first tour in early 1977 and Celtic was extremely impressive the same year because of the Scots' honesty and total commitment to the game.

Velez Mostar (1976) was a good team in patches because it had some exciting individuals, but

Hearts of Midlothian (1976) was an insult to the Australian public.

Glasgow Rangers in (1975) of the same year was one of the best outfits to have graced these shores.

The very best, however, was Cruzeiro of Brazil (1972) whom I still rate as the most exciting team every seen in Australia.

Ferencvaros, Wolves, Benfica, Middlesbrough, Legia Warsaw, and others were only ordinary.

The USSR and Greece also played pedestrian football but at least they were national representative teams (albeit not the best available).

I said back in 1973 that the Socceros should play only against national teams — not against club sides. It does little for our prestige to beat a touring club side, but it certainly damages our standing if we lose to one, as we so often do.

What's more, it is now quite commonplace for club teams to defeat national sides. Hajduk Split, for example, beat the USSR 3-0, yet the USSR was able to beat Yugoslavia 4-2.

If national teams are not available from Europe or South America, we should play against Asian countries, and put everything we have into promoting such matches.

It would certainly benefit the Socceros to play against teams like Indonesia, Burma and South Korea, for it is against these teams that we have to play in the World Cup qualification series.

At the moment we are completely out of touch with what is happening in these countries. They play against each other regularly, but it pays them to remain isolated from Australia.

They're shrewd. They can easily send an expert here to have a look at the Socceros playing at home and to compile a dossier on us.



## RALE RASIC

They can rely also on information from members of their own communities living in Australia.

Who in Australia soccer knows what is happening with the national teams of Iraq, Iran, South Korea, Indonesia? Who knows what happened in the King's Cup, the Asian Games, the Merdeka tournament or what will happen in the Presidential Cup tournament in Korea?

I bet the Asians know what's happening with our national team!

Cha Bum Keun, the South Korean wizard who has been the best player in the Asian region for



Australia and South Korea line up for their World cup match at the Sydney Sports Ground in 1977. Australia should play more games against Asian teams and forget about matches against overseas clubs.

almost eight years, was recently signed by West German Bundesliga club Darmstadt, after one of its scouts had seen him playing in an Asian tournament.

Cha Bum Keun should have been signed by an Australian club instead.

One of the Iranian players who played against Australia in the World Cup games of 1977 has signed with the New York Cosmos. Why didn't an Australian club make a bid for him?

The answer is that we still regard ourselves as being in a world completely separate from Asia, even though we compete against Asia in the World Cup.

We must come closer together, and in doing so we must educate the Australian public that they will get more value from a game between Australia and South Korea, Burma or Indonesia, than they would from a game between Australia and an ordinary overseas club side.

Of course there is always room for tours by the real elite of world football. Anyone would be willing to pay \$10 to watch Cruzeiro, Celtic, Manchester United, Liverpool, Moenchengladbach, Real Madrid or Juventus for example.

Being the coach of Adelaide City, I was extremely pleased to see John Nyskohus playing so brilliantly for South Australia.

ralia in its 1-1 draw with Wisla Krakow.

Nyskohus has the reputation of being an "off and on" player, but at training with Adelaide City, and in the game against Wisla, he has shaken himself free of that reputation.

As well as being a dangerous forward against Wisla, Nyskohus also looked after that brilliant full back, Marek Motyka and prevented him from doing the damage he had done to Australia, Queensland and Victoria in earlier matches.

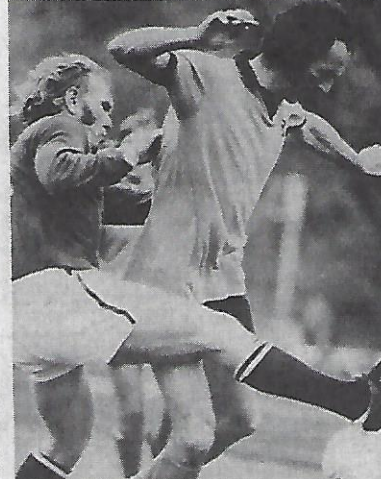
In my opinion, Nyskohus was by far the best player on the ground.

Goalkeeper Martyn Crook of West Adelaide also had a phenomenal game. Vic Bosanic was good at left back and Ian McGregor did a lot of work in attack.

South Australia easily could have won the game in the second half.

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Manfred Schaefer, who demoralised the Wolves attack in Australia's 1-0 win in 1972, is pictured robbing Derek Dougan of the ball. Rasic rates that Wolves team as "ordinary."



The great Tostao leads his team-mates over hurdles at Olympic Park during Cruzeiro's tour of 1972. Rale Rasic rates Cruzeiro as the most exciting team to have visited Australia.

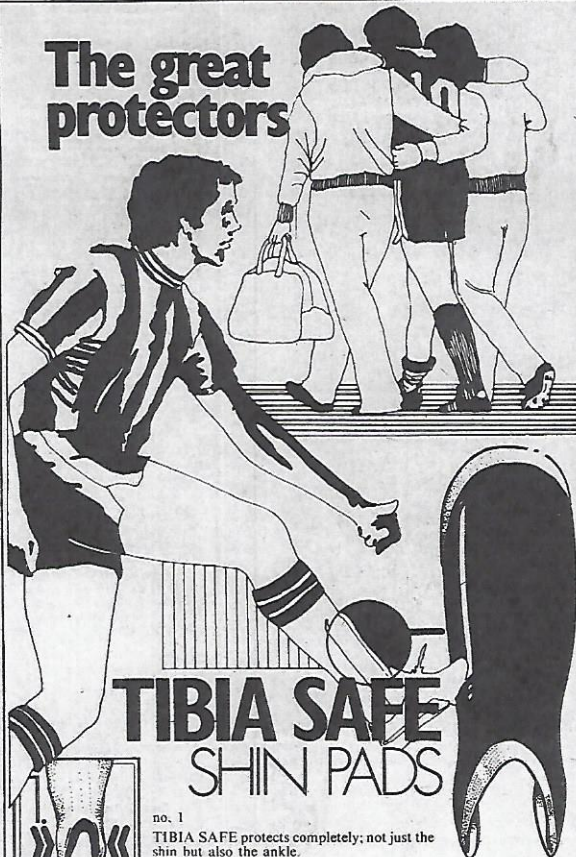


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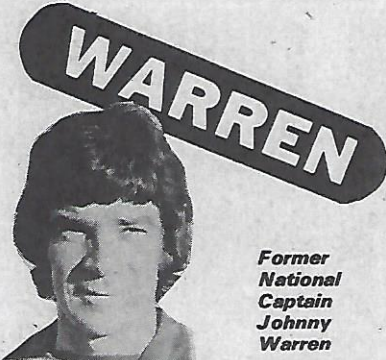


South Korea's Cha Bum Keun is left behind by Jimmy Rooney of Australia in a World Cup game. Cha recently joined German club Darmstadt but why wasn't he snapped up by an Australian club? In the background are Attila Abonyi and Peter Ollerton.



John Nyskohus (left), pictured in World Cup action against Kazerani of Iran. Nyskohus was the best player in South Australia's 1-1 draw with Wisla Krakow.





# WARREN

## Sydney City takes soccer to country

Sydney City plans to take its PSL squad to the country centres of NSW during the 1979 season.

City will play a series of matches in the country when time permits, but that during the planned mid season break or at the end of the season.

The club has already accepted invitations to play exhibition matches in Coffs Harbour on the NSW coast and at Picton, 50 miles south of Sydney.

City sees its country exhibition matches as excellent public relations for the club and soccer in the almost totally-neglected country areas.

The invitations for both matches came from former First Division stars Ray Gardiner and Ron Tilse.

Tilse, the former Arsenal and Canberra City star is currently manager/coach of the ambitious Coffs Harbour team which will play in the Northern NSW State League proposed for next year.

Tilse, in his position as fulltime coach of Coffs, is involved heavily in establishing the code in the prosperous Northern NSW city.

Gardiner is the former Hakoah star now working in Picton and also coaching the area's top team.

Gardiner formed an impressive central defensive combination with former Soc-

cero **Allen Mamoch** in the late sixties and is now making a fine contribution to the game's development in Picton.

Sydney City will take its full PSL squad on these country promotions and apart from the game itself will involve its players in junior coaching programmes and other promotional activities.

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Many people have inquired about City's new emblem which will be worn on match-day shirts, team uniforms and other club promotions.

The design for the badge is similar to the coat of arms of the City of Sydney with the addition of the "Harbour Bridge" in the top half of the design and the words Sydney City on the bottom half.

The symbol denotes the fact that Sydney is a marine city and the symbol has the blessing of the club's ardent fan and supporter, the Lord Mayor of Sydney, **Alderman Nelson Meers**.

The Lord Mayor will be the club's special guest at its first home game of the season when Sydney City meets Adelaide City on Sunday March 18 at Wentworth Park.



• The emblem of Sydney city (formerly Hakoah Eastern Suburbs).

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# SUPER TEAM TO TOUR VICTORIA?

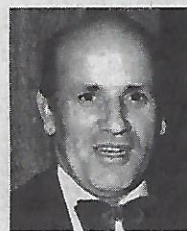
The Victorian Soccer Federation hopes to bring a "truly star-studded" European team to Australia next year, Federation secretary Mr George Wallace said this week.

He declined to name the team, but it is believed to be in the calibre of Liverpool, Bayern Munich, Feyenoord, Moenchengladbach, PSV Eindhoven, Aek Athens, Juventus or Panatinaikos.

Mr Wallace said the VSF and the NSW Federation hoped also to have an overseas team touring in May. West Bromwich Albion, Aston Villa and Nottingham Forest are three clubs under consideration.

Success of negotiations depends upon the match fee sought by the prospective tourists.

The VSF broke about even on its match against Wisla Krakow, whereas both the NSW and Queensland Feder-



George Wallace



Juventus, back row from left: Trapattoni (manager), Morini, Cabrini, Spinosi, Alessandrelli, Zoff, Benetti, Miani, Bettoga, Bizotto (assistant manager). Middle row: Cuccureddu, Furino, Gentile, Gori, Boninsegna, Causio. Front row: Corino (masseur), Tardelli, Marchetti, Capuzzo, Scirea, DeMaria (masseur).

ations are reported to have lost money on the tour.

Mr Wallace responded to a challenge issued by South Melbourne Hellas president Sam Papasavas last week.

Mr Papasavas, angry that only four PSL players — **Joe Picciano**, **Jim Tansey**, **Chris Kalafatis** and **Jimmy Rooney** — were in the opening Victorian line-up that met Wisla, challenged the State team to meet Hellas at Middle Park on March 3.

"It's ludicrous to expect Victoria to accept challenges from clubs," Mr Wallace said.

However, if the State coach, with the approval of the State Squad Committee, wished to play practice games against clubs as preparation for future competition, then that could happen.

Mr Papasavas states that there were not enough PSL players in the Victorian selection. The truth is, there were six PSL players on the team sheet, the others being **Peter Laumets**, the most expensive goalkeeper in Australia, and **Gary Cole**, who came on as a substitute.

Also, the squad had to be changed around by coach **Len McKendry** after three

PSL players, **Theo Solomidis**, **George Christopoulos** and **Alan Davidson**, were required to leave earlier than had been expected, with the national under 19 squad.

"Clearly, the Victorian coach went for a blend of youth and experience."

Victoria's next match is against a Morwell selection as part of the Morwell Festival on March 31. However,

the Victorian selection will not be the same as the one that played against Wisla, as some of the players may be required by their clubs for Dockerty cup games.

On Monday, April 16, Victoria travels to Adelaide to meet South Australia, which drew 1-1 with Wisla Krakow last week.

Victoria is also due to play against AC Milan in June.

## How to solve the transfer problem

By LAURIE SCHWAB

There are two possible solutions to the Victorian problem of players moving back and forth between PSL and Victorian Federation teams.

They are:

1. A PSL permit system. The PSL could allow promising Federation players to play in their club's PSL side under a special permit. At the moment, the PSL requires that all players in the team be fully registered with the league.
2. Dual registration. The senior players of a PSL club could be asked by the club to sign not only PSL registration forms, but also State Federation forms, enabling the players to compete in both competitions. The VSF would however, restrict its Federation teams to only two or three such players at any one time.

In the first two years of the PSL, there have been major problems associated with PSL clubs bringing players up from their Federation teams.

To use a Federation player in the PSL side, the club had to have him registered with the PSL, meaning he needed a clearance from the Federation.

When the PSL team was done with him, he could not return to the Federation team more than once, as this would require a second transfer, and under Federation rules, a player is entitled to only one transfer a season.

Talks between officials of the Federation and of the PSL clubs — South Melbourne, Fitzroy and Footscray — are expected to take place before the PSL kicks off its 1979 season on March 10.

## HELLAS JOINS TWO SQUADS

South Melbourne Hellas' Second Division team will have closer ties with the club's national league X1 after major changes implemented by Manager Dave Maclaren.

The two sides will train together, and the club hopes PSL squad members who miss a place in the first 14 will play in the Second Division side.

The changes would give more flexibility and make it possible for a player good enough to progress through the ranks at South Melbourne. Since 1977, the start of the national league, this had not been possible.

"Last season and the year before that," said Maclaren, "there was no contact between the national league and Second Division teams."

Maclaren said the situation became a problem when a player like **Steve Kakantonis**, who came into Hellas' first team from the second team, couldn't return to the lower league and spent the remainder of the year on the bench for the PSL side.

"Hopefully, the problem will be

solved," said Maclaren, "and players will be able to have dual registration — one with the VSF and one with the PSL."

Eight quality youngsters will be selected from the Second Division side to train with the 17 players in the PSL team. They will train together under my staff coaches and the two teams will be selected from these players.

"It's all open. Each week there are 25 players in the training for the 11 places in the PSL first team."

Maclaren said 14 players would be selected for PSL games leaving 11 for the Second Division side.

Maclaren's coaching staff is **Steve Walker**, former Hellas and Juventus player, **Bill Curran**, a successful coach of Victorian State junior teams, and **Michael Watson**, a physical fitness expert.



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# Richmond, Austria shine in new Cup

The Tommy Burns Memorial Cup has replaced the Cumberland Cup as the pre-season knock-out competition for Metropolitan League clubs.

Cumberland Newspapers, which had sponsored the pre-season cup several years, dropped its backing after managerial reshuffles.

Tommy Burns passed away last year after serving Victorian soccer as a referee and a leading administrator.

The cup ties are 90 minutes each way, with extra time of 10 minutes each way in the event of a draw. Penalties will be taken if the teams are still tied after extra time.

The draw for the first main round is:

Fewster v Kellor Austria; Bell Park v Frankton Pines; Park Rangers v Fortmore Gully; Morwell Falcons v Box Hill;

Richmond v Mooroolbark Utd.; Broadmeadows City v Chelsea; Waverley v Ringwood City; Yallourn v Western Suburbs.

**Preliminary round results:**  
TOMMY BURNS MEMORIAL CUP: Preliminary Round — Park Rangers d Knox City 2-1; Ringwood City d Collingwood City 4-1; Rich d Spring City 5-0; Aust d Pt Melb 5-4; Donc Rovers d Frank Pines 2-4; Fern G d Brigh w/o; Kell City d Bell Pk 3; Wav City d Cob 2-1; Chels d Dand City 5-1; Fawk d Monash Uni 4-1.

DONCASTER ROVERS 4 (Forsyth 2, Anselma 2) FRANKTON PINES 2 (Malcolm 2) a.s.t. Best players: Wil-

liams, Copeland, Forsyth, Anselma (Donc, Malcolm Pines).

Doncaster Rovers had to battle into extra time to overcome Frankton Pines.

Pines built up a 2-0 lead in the first half with some aggressive soccer. George Malcolm scored both goals.

But after the interval, Doncaster hit back with goals from Robert Forsyth and Amelo Anselma to level the scores within 10 minutes.

The score was deadlocked until the second half of extra time when a penalty from Forsyth and a solo effort from Anselma wrapped the game up for Doncaster.

The following day, Doncaster played Fibremakers of the Industrial League in the JJB Trophy organised by Mooroolbark.

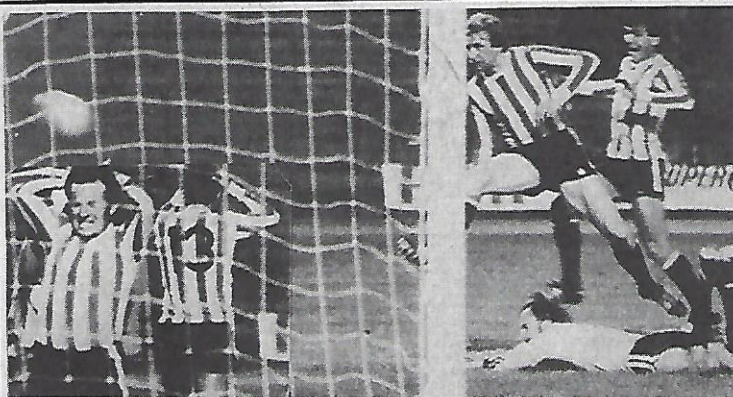
Rovers won 7-0 with five from Forsyth and two from Anselma. But for the Fibremakers goalkeeper Alan Davis, the score would have been a lot higher.

**PARK RANGERS 2 (Hargreaves, Hall) KNOX CITY 1 (Davies).** Best players: Gerrish, Milne, Weston (Knox), Doggett, Clania, West (Rangers).

Park Rangers gained an upset by eliminating Second Division Knox City from the Tommy Burns Cup.

Rangers' determination and stamina won it for them in the end but the Third Division outfit proved it has the ability to play good soccer.

Rangers played new signings Johnny Wallace (ex-Moreland) and Barry Horsfall (ex-George Cross).



Tony Scicluna and No. 13, Robert Mirak (inset) express the despair felt through the George Cross team as this late chance missed against Ajax. Brian Thom and Mirak are the attackers, Lou Denys the goalkeeper. Pictures by SAM BELFONTE.

## HAKOAH 2 ALTONA 1

Scores: Watters (A) 15th, Bozinovski (H) 59th, Gadsby (H) 68th.

Crowd: 200.

Ground: Kim Reserve, Altona.

Weather: fine and sunny.

Referee: Dimitrios Fotikios.

**Ratings:**  
HAKOAH ST KILDA: Whiteside 6, Daperis 6, Owens 7, Gadsby 7, Reikowski 8, Gibson 7, Jordanou 6, Blair 6, Nagy 7, Rooney 5 (Bozinovski 42nd min), Edmondson 8 (Allison 55th min).

ALTONA CITY: van der Poel 7, Lewis 6, Kelly 6, Murray 6, Train 5, Banagan 6, Watters 7, Gamblin 5 (J. Little 55th min), Ignatidis 4, N. Little 6, Deluca 6. Total: 64.

A goal by Steve Gadsby less than a minute before the final whistle maintained Hakoh's 100% record in the Angul Cup but the 2-1 scoreline doesn't give a true indication of the game.

Altona, after a reasonable first half, played extremely poorly in the second 35 minutes, and it was only Hakoh's lack of fire power in the forward line that kept the winning margin so slim.

Winger Mike Cleary side-lined after a knee cartilage operation. Hakoh's attack was further depleted by the suspension of Graham French.

French was sent off in a practice match against the Victorian State team after clashing with John Gardiner of Essendon Croatia. Playing with 10 men, Hakoh drew 2-2 with Victoria.

Hakoh's makeshift forward line included two wingers and a midfielder. Late in the game, coach Frank Miele made two substitutions of forward players, but still Hakoh struggled.

Lee Nagy was the only Hakoh forward who looked dangerous.

Sean Rooney, at centre forward, and Gerry Edmondson on the left flank were never comfortable in their new positions, and both were replaced.

Brenko Bozinovski impressed after coming on with the way he was prepared to hold the ball, then look up for an opening. He also scored Hakoh's equaliser.

Many Hakoh attacks broke down in the final stage and the wings were used sparingly.

Not once did Hakoh get a player in behind the Altona defence. Really, the Hakoh forwards lacked system and kept trying to work the ball into the heart of the defence in the hope of creating something.

This was made hard by Altona, which used a strict offside trap. Hakoh was dumfounded when faced by seven or eight Altona defenders rushing out en masse. The only way to beat the offside trap is for the player with the ball to go on his own. Only one player — Gadsby — managed to burst through the trap, but keeper Hans van der Poel came out and pushed the defender's drive around the post.

Altona's display in the second half was woeful. The team defended for most of the half, having only one shot at goal.

Altona's midfield stopped in the second half. There's nothing else you can say when linkmen spend half a game watching their opponents, occasionally chase a loose ball, but totally starve their forwards.

But the class of players like Nick Rakovalla, easily Hakoh's best player, Gibson and Jordanou set Hakoh back on the right tack.

The St Kilda team slowed itself down and pushed the ball around. Soon it controlled the middle of the field.

Chances came thick and fast, before Bozinovski equalised.

With the minutes ticking away, it looked as though Altona had scored a point. But a twice-taken free kick did the trick for Hakoh.

## CROYDON 2 JUVENTUS 1

Scores: Hamilton penalty 25th min, Wylie 45th, for Croydon; Sabidussi 16th, for Juventus.

Crowd: About 2000.

Ground: Connor Reserve.

Weather: fine and sunny.

Referee: Colin McCrea 7.

**Ratings:**  
CROYDON: Edwards 7.5, Spinks 7, Sinclair 7.5, McCombe 7, T. Kelly 6.5, Lowrey 8, Smith 7.5, C. Kelly 7.5, Tront 7, Hamilton 7, Wylie 7. Total: 79.5.

JUVENTUS: Tazini 7.5, Sabadini 7, Vaughan 7, Mock 7, Syrington 7 — Sabidussi 5.5, Tarquinio 7.5, Smith 5 (Sannpoli 49th), C. Lucchasi 7.5 — Curcio 4 (J. Lucchasi 6, half time), McGuinness 7. Total (leveraging out ratings of players involved in substitutions): 72.

Boasting effective team work, a sound defence and talented individuals like Pat Lowrey, Joe Tront, Duncan Smith and Roy Hamilton, Croydon is destined to finish in the top four in its first State League season.

Croydon has a tight, settled side, unlike many other clubs that are rebuilding by necessity or choice.

There is no substitute for unity and stability. These factors, as well as the indispensable ingredient — talent — will make Croydon a successful club in the State League.

By the standards of the league, there are no obvious weaknesses in this team.

Mick Edwards in goal had one difficult save to make against Juventus — from a fine shot by Bobby McGuinness. The calibre of that save was enough to show us that he has class.

The back four were strong and alert, led this time by former Mooroolbark player Mike Sinclair who, for a change, stole the limelight from Steve McCombe.

In midfield, Duncan Smith impressed as an extremely shrewd man who makes economical use of the ball, and Charlie Kelly, who played for Melbourne in the early seventies, proved his effectiveness when he laid on the winning goal for Jim Wylie.

But the real midfield dynamo of the side is Pat Lowrey whose great assets are his vision and his expertise at passing the ball with pinpoint accuracy over any distance, at any height.

Roy Hamilton's height and persistence in attack could make him the top scorer in the State League this year (he top-scored in First Division in 1978) although his only goal against Juventus came from the penalty spot.

Wylie is a tricky, skillful winger with a nose for goal and finally, there's State player Joe Tront, who alternates between midfield and attack, constructing attacking moves and getting in to finish them off.

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Crowd: 200.

Ground: Kim Reserve, Altona.

Weather: fine and sunny.

Referee: Dimitrios Fotikios.

**Ratings:**  
HAKOAH ST KILDA: Whiteside 6, Daperis 6, Owens 7, Gadsby 7, Reikowski 8, Gibson 7, Jordanou 6, Blair 6, Nagy 7, Rooney 5 (Bozinovski 42nd min), Edmondson 8 (Allison 55th min).

ALTONA CITY: van der Poel 7, Lewis 6, Kelly 6, Murray 6, Train 5, Banagan 6, Watters 7, Gamblin 5 (J. Little 55th min), Ignatidis 4, N. Little 6, Deluca 6. Total: 64.

A goal by Steve Gadsby less than a minute before the final whistle maintained Hakoh's 100% record in the Angul Cup but the 2-1 scoreline doesn't give a true indication of the game.

Altona, after a reasonable first half, played extremely poorly in the second 35 minutes, and it was only Hakoh's lack of fire power in the forward line that kept the winning margin so slim.

Winger Mike Cleary side-lined after a knee cartilage operation. Hakoh's attack was further depleted by the suspension of Graham French.

French was sent off in a practice match against the Victorian State team after clashing with John Gardiner of Essendon Croatia. Playing with 10 men, Hakoh drew 2-2 with Victoria.

Hakoh's makeshift forward line included two wingers and a midfielder. Late in the game, coach Frank Miele made two substitutions of forward players, but still Hakoh struggled.

Lee Nagy was the only Hakoh forward who looked dangerous.

Sean Rooney, at centre forward, and Gerry Edmondson on the left flank were never comfortable in their new positions, and both were replaced.

Brenko Bozinovski impressed after coming on with the way he was prepared to hold the ball, then look up for an opening. He also scored Hakoh's equaliser.

Many Hakoh attacks broke down in the final stage and the wings were used sparingly.

Not once did Hakoh get a player in behind the Altona defence. Really, the Hakoh forwards lacked system and kept trying to work the ball into the heart of the defence in the hope of creating something.

This was made hard by Altona, which used a strict offside trap. Hakoh was dumfounded when faced by seven or eight Altona defenders rushing out en masse. The only way to beat the offside trap is for the player with the ball to go on his own. Only one player — Gadsby — managed to burst through the trap, but keeper Hans van der Poel came out and pushed the defender's drive around the post.

Altona's display in the second half was woeful. The team defended for most of the half, having only one shot at goal.

Altona's midfield stopped in the second half. There's nothing else you can say when linkmen spend half a game watching their opponents, occasionally chase a loose ball, but totally starve their forwards.

But the class of players like Nick Rakovalla, easily Hakoh's best player, Gibson and Jordanou set Hakoh back on the right tack.

The St Kilda team slowed itself down and pushed the ball around. Soon it controlled the middle of the field.

Chances came thick and fast, before Bozinovski equalised.

With the minutes ticking away, it looked as though Altona had scored a point. But a twice-taken free kick did the trick for Hakoh.

## CROYDON 2 JUVENTUS 1

Scores: Hamilton penalty 25th min, Wylie 45th, for Croydon; Sabidussi 16th, for Juventus.

Crowd: About 2000.

Ground: Connor Reserve.

Weather: fine and sunny.

Referee: Colin McCrea 7.

**Ratings:**  
CROYDON: Edwards 7.5, Spinks 7, Sinclair 7.5, McCombe 7, T. Kelly 6.5, Lowrey 8, Smith 7.5, C. Kelly 7.5, Tront 7, Hamilton 7, Wylie 7. Total: 79.5.

JUVENTUS: Tazini 7.5, Sabadini 7, Vaughan 7, Mock 7, Syrington 7 — Sabidussi 5.5, Tarquinio 7.5, Smith 5 (Sannpoli 49th), C. Lucchasi 7.5 — Curcio 4 (J. Lucchasi 6, half time), McGuinness 7. Total (leveraging out ratings of players involved in substitutions): 72.

Boasting effective team work, a sound defence and talented individuals like Pat Lowrey, Joe Tront, Duncan Smith and Roy Hamilton, Croydon is destined to finish in the top four in its first State League season.

Croydon has a tight, settled side, unlike many other clubs that are rebuilding by necessity or choice.

There is no substitute for unity and stability. These factors, as well as the indispensable ingredient — talent — will make Croydon a successful club in the State League.

By the standards of the league, there are no obvious weaknesses in this team.

Mick Edwards in goal had one difficult save to make against Juventus — from a fine shot by Bobby McGuinness. The calibre of that save was enough to show us that he has class.

The back four were strong and alert, led this time by former Mooroolbark player Mike Sinclair who, for a change, stole the limelight from Steve McCombe.

In midfield, Duncan Smith impressed as an extremely shrewd man who makes economical use of the ball, and Charlie Kelly, who played for Melbourne in the early seventies, proved his effectiveness when he laid on the winning goal for Jim Wylie.

But the real midfield dynamo of the side is Pat Lowrey whose great assets are his vision and his expertise at passing the ball with pinpoint accuracy over any distance, at any height.

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# FRANKSTON 4 ALBION 1

# CROATIA 2 SLAVIA 0

Scorers: G. Bannon (F) 26th, 65th Mitten (F) 54th, 69th Grechan (A) 2th  
Crowd: about 200.  
Ground: Kim Reserve, Altona  
Weather: fine and sunny  
Cautions: Grechan (A), Adams (F)  
Referee: Evan Venios 6

Ratings:  
FRANKSTON CITY: Peter-  
son 7, V. Bannon 6, McClusky  
7, Adams 7, Tulloch 7, G.  
Bannon 7, Webster 7, Brown 7  
(Severe 61st min), Swinacoe  
7, Mitten 7, Coulson 8. Total:  
77.

ALBION ROVERS: Johnson  
8, Mlabet 5, Blair 6, Wark 8,  
Gatt 7, McNeil 5, Stevens 7,  
McIntyre 6, D'Sylva 7,  
Grechan 7, McLeod 5, (All-  
ski 55th min) Total: 71.

The build of Willie Coulson  
could not be described as athletic,  
but the blonde midfielder ace  
well prove to be Frankston city's  
prime mover this season.

Coulson's cultured left foot set  
up two of Frankston's four goals  
against Albion and created num-  
erous openings in between.

Frankston coach **Freddy  
Bunce** has such high regard for  
Coulson, who followed him from  
Ringwood City this season, that  
he is prepared to give Coulson a  
free run of the park.

In Frankston's two Ampol Cup  
games, Coulson has operated  
mainly in the left wing area. How-  
ever, against Albion, Coulson did  
most of his good work behind the  
forward line.

In the 26th minute he dis-  
sected the Albion rearguard with  
a diagonal ball from near the edge  
of the penalty area, which allowed  
midfielder **Ged Bannon** to make  
a run around the back of the  
defence and score from an acute  
angle.

Five minutes from the end,  
Coulson knocked a ball into space  
in the penalty area after seeing  
Ged Bannon making a run from  
midfield. Bannon was unable to  
control the ball but struck out a  
foot, which sent the ball flying  
over the head of unlucky Albion  
goalkeeper **Bill Johnson** for  
Frankston's third goal.

Coulson's success this season  
will depend on how well he can  
shake off markers and find space.

Frankston played its new Eng-  
lish striker **Kevin Swinacoe** and  
he made an impressive debut. He  
has the strength to shield the ball  
and is quick to lay off a pass.

**Noel Mitten** moved well up  
front and two goals would keep  
any striker happy.

But Frankston will be hoping to  
get **Vince Bannon** forward more.  
The right flank in attack is left  
open for his overlaps from full  
back but against Albion the State  
representative made only one ef-  
fective dash forward.

Overall, Frankston gave a sat-  
isfactory performance. The team's  
midfielders were far more mobile  
than in the previous Ampol Cup  
game against Slavia and worked  
more closely to allow short-pass-  
ing build-ups.

**Bannon and Webster** were  
getting into forward positions  
while **Abe Brown** did a lot of fetch-  
ing and supporting without  
looking spectacular.

Frankston's defence, which in-  
cluded two new faces — **Danny  
McClusky** and **Bob Adams** —  
from the one which faced Slavia,  
was appreciably tighter.

But pace is still not a strong  
point of the backmen, and the  
speed of **Mike D'Sylva** and sub-  
stitute **Djell Ali-Akl** showed up  
this weakness.

Albion can take heart from the  
performances of **Bill Johnson**,  
**Alex Wark** and **Gordon Ste-  
vens**.

Johnson is steady as a rock in  
goal and was excellent against  
Frankston, despite conceding four  
goals.

Wark was always cool at  
sweeper and Stevens, a young  
midfielder, shone in the second  
half when he showed courage and  
grit, as well as fair skill on the ball.

Albion coach **Mike Lynn** will  
be hoping to get more discipline  
into his team. His tactics of play-  
ing defensively paid off hand-  
somer in the opening quarter of  
an hour when Albion took the  
lead, and contained Frankston,  
but from then on Frankston's mid-  
fielders weren't marked so tightly  
and took over the game.

Lynn must build up his team's  
capacity to defend for long  
periods, as well as to get more  
spark from forward **Mike D'Syl-  
va**.

If Albion is to rely on counter-  
attacks, **D'Sylva** must be work-  
ing to take any opportunity that  
comes. Against Frankston, he  
made Albion's ninth minute goal  
with an explosive run through the  
defence and a blistering shot. The  
rebound fell to **Billy McIntyre**,  
whose shot was blocked, before  
**Kit Grechan** found the net.

Grechan did a lot of work for  
Albion, and left-back Tony Gatt  
didn't stop hammering away.

Albion isn't a pack of no-hop-  
ers. The team had seven good  
scoring chances, and if Albion can  
improve defensively, one goal  
may be enough to win a game.

KYLE PATTERSON.

Scorers: Gilder (C) 6th,  
Cumming (C) 45th.  
Crowd: 2000.  
Ground: Olympic Park.  
Weather: cool with winds.  
Cautions: Thompson (S),  
Yaendoom (S) sent off.  
Referee: Dennis Voutinas 6.

Ratings:  
ESSENDON CROATIA: Ba-  
novic 7, Smart 7, Kokoska 7,  
Gardiner 7, Blaver 8, Short 8,  
Andrews 7, Kerr 6 (Murphy  
65th min.), Culina 6 (Adams  
63rd min.), Gilder 8, Cumming  
9. Total: 78.

PRAHRAN SLAVIA:  
McPherson 6, Thompson 7,  
Yaendoom (sent off 27th  
min.), Westley 6, Shut-  
teworth 5, Brindle 6 (Heary  
55th min.), Train 8, Cooke 4  
(Tut 5, half time), Williams 5,  
Paton 5, Aldridge 5. Total: 62.

The fact Slavia, a team with  
several good ball players, never  
looked comfortable when in pos-  
session against Croatia, pays  
ample tribute to the powerful Es-  
sendon team.

Croatia ruthlessly trampled  
Slavia to the point of embarrass-  
ment. Slavia's passing got pro-  
gressively worse under constant  
pressure and the team's players  
started making basic mistakes.

Slavia lost star defender **John  
Yaendoom** in the 27th minute  
when he was sent off for swearing  
at referee **Dennis Voutinas**.

But this had little bearing on  
the result. Even with Yaendoom  
on the field, Slavia had struggled.  
The work rate of the Croatia  
side was amazing. It attacked in  
numbers and applied pressure as  
soon as possession was lost.

Matching Croatia in this de-  
partment will be hard for any  
Slavia League team, particularly  
when coach **Brian Edgley** main-  
tains his players will be 30% fitter  
by the final stages of the Ampol  
Cup.

Slavia had a total breakdown in  
its pattern of play. The side's mid-  
fielders normally take short  
passes from defenders, then feed  
target men **Steve Aldridge** and  
**Jim Paton**.

But after 15 minutes, Slavia  
was by-passing its midfield and  
hitting long balls forward. **Paton**  
and **Aldridge** were swamped by  
Croatia players and even when  
they were able to control the ball,  
had no support or space to allow  
the ball to be laid off.

Croatia concentrated on a  
short-passing game once it had  
the ball forward. A feature was  
the way the midfielders were run-  
ning into deep forward positions,  
often getting past their own for-  
ward line.

Most State League midfielders  
are too rigid in their attitude  
towards going forward. They will  
attack but always stay behind  
their forwards.

Croatia should have scored  
after two minutes. A sweeping  
move involving **Steve Short**,  
**Tommy Cumming** and **Alan  
Kerr** ended with Kerr going down  
the line and swinging over a  
cross.

Goalkeeper **Alex McPherson**,  
a recent import from England,  
came out but spilled the cross.  
With the goal at his mercy,  
**Branko Culina** blazed over the  
bar.

Soon after **Gilder** opened  
the scoring with a well-placed  
shot on the turn after a neat  
pass from **Howard Andrews**.

Jim Train went down twice  
early in the game but battled on  
despite having a wound on his  
knee.

Train, along with full back  
**Frank Thompson**, were Slavia's  
best purely on effort and out.

**Gilder** hit a shot on the turn  
over the bar as Croatia peppered  
the Slavia goal.

**Billy Brindle**, a former captain  
of Everton reserves, made his  
debut for Slavia. The stocky mid-  
fielder showed in flashes he likes  
spraying the ball around but may  
have to lose some weight.

**Paul Cooke**, who gave away  
the ball on numerous occasions in  
the first half, was taken off at the  
interval and replaced by **Brian  
Tuft**. Tuft played at centre half  
and in another change, **Thom-  
son** was given the task of mark-  
ing **Cumming** after the explosive  
winger had given **Mick Shut-  
teworth** the Slavia full back, a  
bath.

But Croatia didn't falter and  
should have scored four more  
goals instead of one.

It came when **Cumming** re-  
ceived the ball after Slavia had  
once again lost possession. It was  
two against three, but instead of  
using his support, **Gilder** —  
**Cumming** slotted the ball home.

Later, **Gilder**, **Culina** and  
**Steve Kokoska** missed easy  
goals.

Slavia's first shot at goal came  
in the 50th minute when **Paton**  
miscued a volley from a **Jim Wil-  
lams** corner. **Yakka Banovic**  
made an easy save. — KYLE PAT-  
TERSON.



## VICTORIAN AMPOL CUP

# CROATIA IS BIG TEST FOR AJAX

Green Gully Ajax, leader of group 'A' in the Victorian Ampol Cup, will be put to a test of strength when it comes up against Essendon Croatia at Olympic Park on Friday Night.

Ajax, unbeaten and two points clear at the top, will cement a semi-final berth with a victory but come back to the field with a loss.

The game will show just how much Green Gully has improved under the leadership of former Socceroo **Billy Vojtek**.

Group 'B' has developed into a threehorse race, and one of those horses could be in for a fall this week.

Hakoah, Croydon and Sunshine each has four points to head the table. Croydon and Sunshine meet at Anderson Road, Sunshine this Sunday, and a loss for either team could be fatal.

Croydon has emerged as the team to beat after impressive displays against Albion and Juventus and Sunshine will have to battle to stay in contention for the finals.

In other games, Preston and Albion, two teams well out of the running, will try to

salvage some pride. Preston hasn't scored a goal in this season's competition while Albion has conceded five.

The final group 'B' game involves Juventus and Hakoah.

Juventus hasn't a chance of qualifying, while Hakoah sees victory as a clincher for a finals berth. But Hakoah is far from its best following injuries to key players and Juventus is still struggling for form.

In group 'A', where several teams are in the running, George Cross takes on Frankston City. Both have two points and defeat will end the hopes of the loser.

Slavia, which also has two points, can move up with the leaders with a win over Albion Rovers.

Third round likely winners: Preston, Croatia, Frankston, Hakoah, Slavia and Croydon. — KYLE PATTERSON.

## THIS WEEK

Third round matches, Victorian Ampol Cup, Friday night, Olympic Park.

MAKEDONIA v ALTONA CITY 7.30 pm  
CROATIA v GREEN GULLY 8.45 pm

Saturday, Middle Park Stadium  
GEORGE CROSS v FRANKSTON CITY 2.00 pm  
HAKOAH v JUVENTUS 3.30 pm

Sunday, Anderson Road, Sunshine:  
SLAVIA v ALBION ROVERS 2.00 pm  
SUNSHINE v CROYDON 3.30 pm



Pat Lowrey (Croydon)

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Leading averages:

8.25 — Banovic (Cro).  
Papas (Geo), Mizzi (Geo).  
8 — Johnson (Albion).  
Lowrey (Croy), Matsson  
(Geo), Carr (Gully), Perkins  
(Gully), Train (Slavia).  
7.75 — Smith (Croy).  
7.5 — Beech (Pres).  
Rakovalis (Hak), Castiello  
(Geo), Cutajar (Geo), Mitten  
(Franks), Gatt (Albion),  
Wark (Albion).

Aggregate team ratings:

1. George Cross 159  
2. Hakoah 159  
3. Croydon 152.5  
4. Croatia 148.5  
5. Ajax 145.5  
6. Preston 145  
7. Frankston 142  
8. Albion 140.5  
9. Sunshine 137.5  
10. Juventus 137  
11. Slavia 136  
12. Albion 125

Leading goalscorers: 2. Watters (Altona), Wyllie (Croy), G. Bannon (Franks), Mitten (Franks).

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# Worthington scheme: success or failure?

More than five years ago a man came to Australia to take up the most important job in Australian soccer.

That man is Eric Worthington who, as national director of coaching, was charged with the responsibility of upgrading the standard of our coaching at all levels.

So how has he fared? After five years can he be termed a success or a failure?

Let's look at the statistics. After arriving in Australia in April 1973 Eric Worthington made a comprehensive study of coaching in each State, lasting more than 12 months.

From the results of that study he laid down the national coaching scheme

which got off the ground in January, 1975.

Directors of coaching were appointed to various States with the initial objective of producing 10,000 certificated coaches in the first five years. The defection of national coach Brian Green and a change of Federal government which resulted in a cutback of money to sporting



MIKE JOHNSON

organisations almost sabotaged the coaching scheme overnight.

Then came criticism of Worthington for getting involved with Jim Shoulder's national teams.

Further criticism was levelled at him by some coaches of professional clubs who said

he was an academic who taught "Oxford soccer" that was too complicated and theoretical.

Without Rudi Gutendorf's flair for exploiting the media, his profile as national director of coaching caused others to ask, "what has he done?"

His most effective answer to that query is to point to the 6000 coaches who to date have passed through the national coaching scheme.

Many who have gone through the courses are unknowns who pursue the vital work of early training of young players, others are top coaches.

In NSW Roaul Blanco (Melita), Bruce Stowell (ex-West), Kaz Kulak (Arncliffe), Vic Dalgleish (Auburn), Alec Gray (Avala) are all State League first team coaches who attended Worthington courses.

In Adelaide, coaching graduates in charge of State league first teams include Denis Harlow and Brian Dooley; in Victoria Fred Bunce, Harry Chalkitis and Mike Lynn; in West Australia Jimmy Pearson and Eric Marocchi.

Some of the top players who have gone through the courses recently are: Alan Ainslie (Syd. Olymp), Chris Kafatidis (ZS. Mel.), Peter Boyle (W. Ad).

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One of the gripes by professionals in recent years against attending coaching courses in Australia is that they will learn nothing new.

People like Alan Vest and Ron Tindall ex Portsmouth manager, now W.A. director of coaching who staff senior courses, obviously have an enormous amount to give prospective coaches.

A total of 5533 coaches have passed through the senior courses in the past four years.

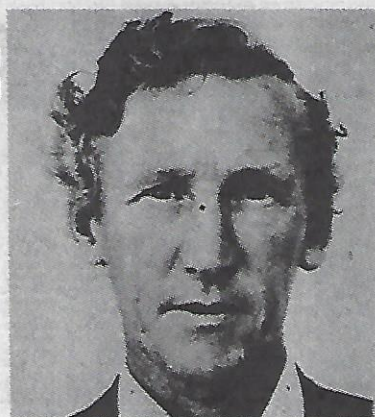
"Here is the reaction of one of them, Ron McLerie who attended a senior award course at Newcastle in November.

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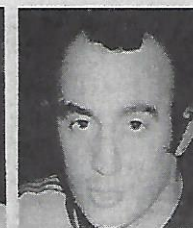
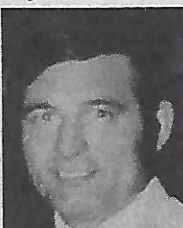
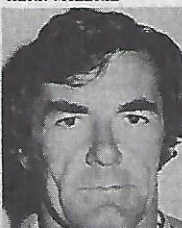
Dear Sir,  
After recently completing the Senior Award Course at Newcastle, I take this opportunity to thank you and your staff, (Alan Vest, Ron Tindall, Frank Campbell and Duncan Price) for the thoroughly educational and entertaining week, I had there.

I found myself thinking more about the game in that week than I had done in the previous twenty odd years of playing it. I shall certainly recommend the course to other players etc. in this area.

Whether successful or not in the recent examination I intend to be present at your proposed course at Armidale University, 1979.  
Yours Sincerely,  
KERR McLERIE



National director of coaching, Eric Worthington



Bruce Stowell (left), ex-Western Suburbs, and Roaul Blanco (right) have both graduated through the national coaching scheme. Ron Tindall (centre) is the Western Australian coaching director under the scheme.

After the furore surrounding Jim Shoulder, Rate Rasic, the national team and coaching generally, Eric Worthington has shown a capacity to survive.

He has a full-time paid director of coaching in every State with the exception of NSW, where Joe Vlasits works in a part-time capacity.

Len McKendry (Vic) Ron Tindall and Mike Wells (S.Aust) in particular have been able to make outstanding progress.

Criticism of Worthington still surfaces here and there, especially in his home State of NSW.

Some of it is by people who do not want to see our soccer coaching based on the English model.

The above three coaching directors are all English. The fact is we are an English-speaking nation.

Additionally, along with the Dutch and German models England's is the best soccer coaching organisation in the world.

And of course coaching courses are not the be-all and end-all of soccer instruction. Roaul Blanco's successful melita outfit does not play an English style.

The Argentinian Blanco took the best that the Worthington course had to offer him and it is now part of his overall coaching armoury to which he is adding every day of his coaching life.

Coaching in Australia has a long way to go and so Eric Worthington's job is far from finished.

At the outset I said that his was the most important job in Australian soccer and so it is.

We can never import great stars en masse as America is doing.

The quality of our future and our future national teams, will depend a great deal on the quality of their current coaching.

Worthington is outstandingly qualified to guide our coaching future.

Professional player with Queens Park Rangers and Watford; senior lecturer at Loughborough College in England; master of education, diplomas in education, and physical education; English FA staff coach; F.F.A. instructor.

So how has he fared within our precarious, shifting soccer during these past five years?

To employ a pun, one could say that he has been a qualified success — something we can be rather thankful for after the trials of recent years.



Following the purchase of Chris Kent (pictured being tackled by Peter Wilson), from South Melbourne, the Adelaide City PSL line-up is beginning to take shape.

The best eleven at the moment appears to be: Peter Marshall — Bobby Russell, John Besir or John Perin, Jim Muir, Bugsy Nyskohus — Agenor Muniz, Brian Northcote, John or Sergio Melta — John Nyskohus, Dixie Deans, Chris Kent.

## Wentworth Park OK for APIA and Sydney City

Sydney City and APIA will play their home matches at Wentworth Park this season.

That's the good news for the clubs, following discussions with the National Coaching Association of New South Wales.

Earlier it was reported that City would lose its home ground due to ground improvements to develop Wentworth Park into one of the best soccer stadiums in the country.

A joint statement issued by the national Coaching Association and the Sydney City club stated —

"The NSW National Coaching Association Limited, who are to undertake to develop Wentworth Park with modern facilities including a multi million dollar

viewing grandstand, has decided to delay the re-shaping and re-modelling of Wentworth Park greyhound track.

"The decision followed fruitful discussions between representatives of the interested parties in view of the imminent start of the 1979 soccer season and as such the previous decision would have caused the newly named Sydney City and APIA clubs considerable inconvenience in the latter part of the season.

"The NCA will still commence building works associated with the grandstand in July 1979, however, inconvenience will be kept to a minimum for the viewing public at both greyhound meetings and soccer matches to be conducted throughout 1979."

In other Sydney City news, its three new Brazilian youngsters arrived, as did

key defender Eddie Thompson who returned from a visit to his native Scotland with young defender Ian Bruce.

Thompson, who has been training with premier league club Aberdeen during his visit back home, has recommended Bruce to the club and early training reports indicate that Bruce will be pushing hard for a first team place, come PSL kick-off on March 11.

Team skipper Henry Mowbray too is working hard in his comeback attempt following an off-season knee operation.

Mowbray had the plaster removed from his leg two weeks ago and although he still has a long way to go, his daily workouts at City's plush social club in Bondi are sure to see him also re-establishing himself in the PSL squad early in the season. — JOHNNY WARREN.

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# BANOVIC: best in Australia?

By LAURIE SCHWAB

The similarities between Yakka Banovic and Ron Corry are significant. Like Corry, Banovic has rapier-sharp reflexes and the agility of a cat. Like Corry, Banovic is a fitness fanatic. Like Corry, Banovic is expert at saving penalties.

Corry played for Sydney Croatia. Banovic plays for Essendon Croatia.

Corry was goalkeeper of the national team during the 1969 and 1973 World Cup qualifying series, so if their careers continue to run parallel, Banovic will play for Australia in the World Cup series of 1981.

The more I watch him in action, the more Banovic convinces me that he is close to being the best goalkeeper in Australia. At 22 there are many years left in which to improve even further, and he even has an advantage over Corry — he's taller.

His senior representative career started in South Australia when he played for that State against Red Star Belgrade and Victoria in 1977.

It continued two weeks ago when he kept goal for Victoria in its 0-1 loss to Wisla Krakow. He thus has something in common with Jack Reilly as well, for Reilly, also represented two States — Victoria and NSW.

Reilly, incidentally, remains one of Banovic's competitors for a place in the national team, as does South Melbourne's other goalkeeper, Peter Laumerts, who was bought recently from Preston-Makedonia for \$15,000 — an Australian record price for a goalkeeper.

When Victorian coach Len McKendry was trying to decide between Banovic and Laumerts on the eve of the match against Wisla Krakow, he told both of them that it was like trying to choose between Ray Clemence and Peter Shilton.

Banovic was born in Bihac, Croatia, on November 12, 1956 and was eight years old when his parents emigrated to South Australia, to settle at Whyalla.

The family is naturalised, meaning Banovic is eligible to play for Australia.

At school in Whyalla, Banovic was an all-round sportsman. He represented the Spencer Gulf area at Table tennis and represented South Australia at high school level in interstate school championships, finishing third in javelin and discus but having to withdraw from the 1500 metres due to injury.

The primary school he attended played Australian Rules football but no soccer. So Banovic developed into a brilliant ruck rover and captained the school team in representative matches in Adelaide.

When he later took up soccer as well, he was playing Aussie Rules on Saturday morn-

ings and soccer in the afternoons. His first soccer club was a Greek outfit called Thunder, and young Banovic played not in goal, but at centre forward.

"After a year and a half of that I eventually had to choose between the two sports, so I stopped playing Aussie Rules and joined the Croatia Whyalla juniors," Banovic recalls.

"I was still playing centre forward but about a year after I joined, our goalie was hurt. The coach wasn't at the game, so our captain asked me to go into goal, because I used to play Aussie Rules.

"Later, the boys told the coach, he had a look at what I could do and finally told me that although I was a good forward, I had a much better future as a goalkeeper."

So young Banovic spent about a season and a half in goal for the juniors and at 16 he broke into the senior team for four games.

His association with Croatia Whyalla ended after the club was drawn to play "big brother" Croatia Adelaide in the Wills Cup.

So well did Banovic play, that the Adelaide club signed him on the spot.

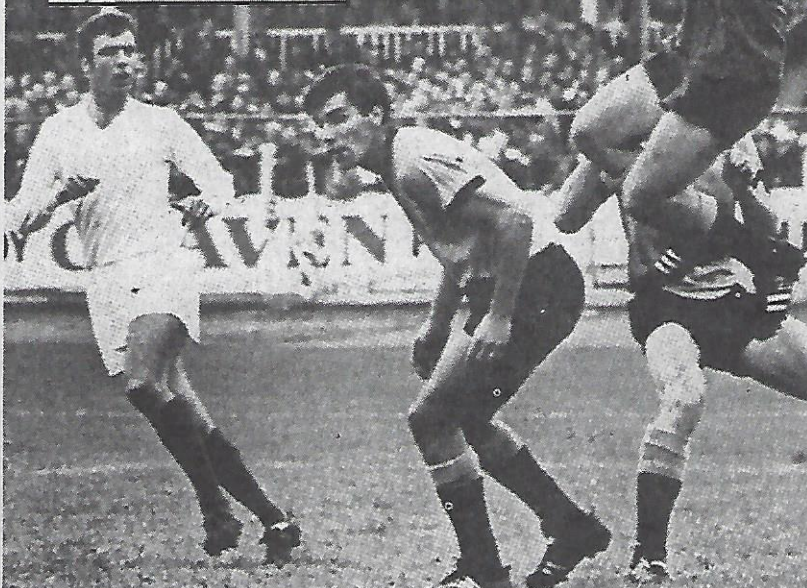
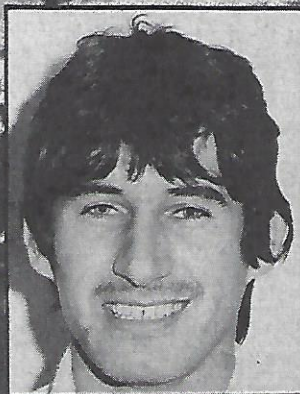
To say that the Adelaide club was impressed by the young goalkeeper would be an understatement, as it started flying him from Whyalla and back every week-end, so he could continue to attend his high school.

However, this proved too hectic and after a year, he moved to Adelaide where he matriculated and was accepted to teachers' college. He had only about a dozen first team games in his first season but in 1973 he was Croatia's No. 1 goalkeeper and did not miss a game. He was with Croatia when it was relegated and when it came back the following season and although other clubs were making offers for him, he was happy to stay with Croatia which, he says, was treating him well.

But in 1976 Metros Croatia of Toronto toured Australia and the Canadians were impressed with Banovic that they invited him to come over for a trial.

He finished school that year and took up the offer in 1977. "I'd gone as far as I could in Adelaide and I now wanted to make soccer my profession," he says.

He spent about seven months in Canada. During this time he played only practice games, notably against Minnesota Kicks (Alan West) and Tampa Bay Rowdies (Adrian Alston, Rodney Marsh).



• There are significant similarities between Victorian State star Yakka Banovic (inset) and the great Ron Corry. Banovic is likely to further emulate Corry, by getting into the Australian World Cup squad. Corry is pictured making a save above team mate John Watkiss in NSW's match against Manchester United in 1967. At left is United's John Aston.

"There was a mix-up, a misunderstanding between Metros and Croatia Adelaide which caused me to come back to Australia," Banovic said.

He is reluctant to be more precise but apparently Metros balked at being asked by Croatia to pay a \$15,000 transfer fee and to insure Banovic for \$100,000.

Banovic wasn't too happy about staying with Croatia Adelaide when he returned to Australia. Sydney Croatia was showing interest in him, but Essendon Croatia was first to make a concrete offer, so he transferred to Melbourne for a mere \$500.

It was about six or eight weeks into the 1978 State League season that Banovic played his first match for Essendon, against Frankston City.

He settled down quickly, developing a good understanding with his centre backs Steve Kokoska and John Gardiner, and it wasn't long before he was widely acclaimed as by far the best goalkeeper in the league.

Banovic says he has two coaches to thank for making him the player he is today.

One is Bill Bateman, then coach of Thunder, the first man to recognise Banovic's skill as a goalkeeper.

The other is Peter Jaksa, the former Prague (NSW) player, who coached Banovic at Croatia Adelaide. "Maybe I didn't always get along well with him on a personal level, but he had the knack for bringing out the best in me."

Asked to name the most dangerous forwards against whom he has played, Banovic says: "I don't think about forwards like that. None is more or less dangerous than the other."

"You can't take any of them lightly. Even a guy who hasn't scored a single goal all year, will suddenly pop up and put one past you if you slacken off."

"However, I have great admiration for the guy who gives 100 per cent for his club and one such player is George McMillan of Makedonia. He may not have quite as much skill as some other forwards, but he never stops, and I like the challenge of a guy who's always coming in. That's the way it should be with all players."

Like any other ambitious player, Banovic would like to play in the Philips League. The difference is, he wants to do so with his present club. "Croatia has treated me well and they bought me when I was experiencing somewhat of a personal crisis. I'm happy to stay with them, and I'd like to see them move up into the national league," he says.

His main ambition is to represent Australia. "To represent my country must be the aim of every player and I am no exception," he says. "I hope that my experience with the South Australian and Victorian State teams put me in the running for the national squad."

To find out who he considers to be his chief competitors, I asked him to name the best goalkeepers he's seen here.

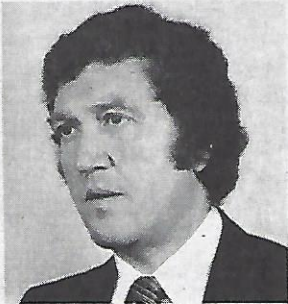
"Peter Laumerts of South Melbourne is a tremendous goalkeeper and as he's only 21, he's got a long career ahead."

"I was in the South Australian under 16 squad with Martyn Crook of West Adelaide and I reckon he's also a top keeper."

"I also have to mention Roger Romanowicz of Adelaide City. He was nearing the end of his career as I was starting mine but he is definitely one of the best goalkeepers I have seen."

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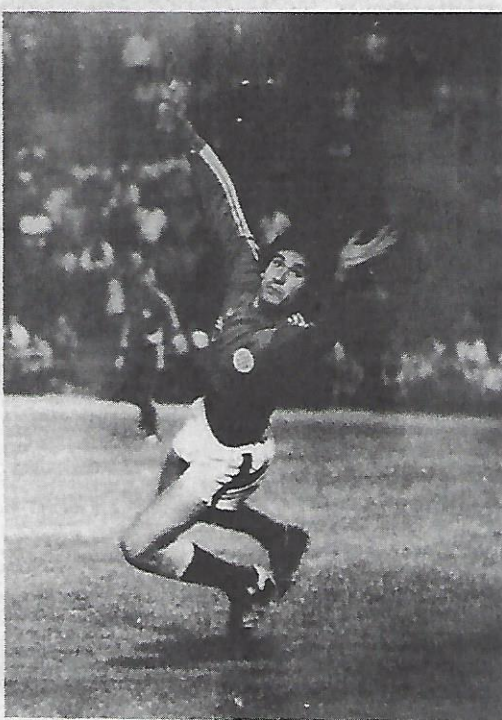
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Yakka Banovic, in action during Victoria's 0-1 loss to Wisla Krakow two weeks ago. Picture by SAM BELFONTE.

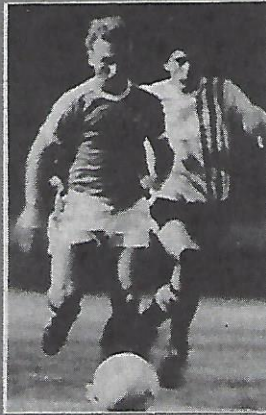




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Croydon City's Joe Tront (right), in action for Victoria against Zoran Matic of South Australia.



Tommy Cumming (Essendon-Croatia), 1978 Rothmans Medalist, leads Jim Paparas (George Cross) in a race for the ball.



Altona City's recruit from Sunshine, Terry Banagan, shoots at goal against Frankston. At left is Frankston's Andy Savage.



Makedonia's 1978 best and fairest, George McMillan.



Albion Rovers' experienced forward Bill McIntyre (ex-Croatia, Hellas, Makedonia), chases Keilor Australia's Guenter Ganglmaier in a Cup match.



Steve Carr (right), Green Gully Ajax striker.



Makedonia's Rob Cullen, transferred from George Cross.



Goalkeeper Frank Petersen of Frankston.



Frank Mussel (right) of Sunshine City, scores in an Ampol Cup match at Olympic Park.



Midfielder Pat Lowrey of Croydon.



Altona City's Nat Little (right) and Jim Ackers (No. 6) in a tangle on the touchline.

## Victorian State

**ROUND 1 — SUNDAY 8th APRIL**  
 Albion Leyland v Essendon.  
 George Cross v Preston Macedonia.  
 Croydon City v Prahran Slavia.  
 St Kilda Hakoah v Green Gully.  
 Altona City v Sunshine City.  
 Juventus v Frankston City.

**ROUND 2 — SUNDAY 15th APRIL**  
 Sunshine City v Juventus.  
 Green Gully v Altona City.  
 Prahran Slavia v St Kilda Hakoah.  
 Preston Macedonia v Croydon City.  
 Frankston City v Albion Leyland.  
 Essendon v George Cross.

**ROUND 3 — SUNDAY 22nd APRIL**  
 George Cross v Albion Leyland.  
 Croydon City v Essendon.  
 St Kilda Hakoah v Preston Macedonia.  
 Altona City v Prahran Slavia.  
 Juventus v Green Gully.  
 Sunshine City v Frankston City.

**ROUND 4 — SUNDAY 29th APRIL**  
 Green Gully v Sunshine City.  
 Prahran Slavia v Juventus.  
 Preston Macedonia v Altona City.  
 Frankston City v George Cross.  
 Essendon v St Kilda Hakoah.  
 Albion Leyland v Croydon City.

**ROUND 5 — SUNDAY 6th MAY**  
 Croydon City v George Cross.  
 St Kilda Hakoah v Albion Leyland.  
 Altona City v Essendon.  
 Juventus v Preston Macedonia.  
 Sunshine City v Prahran Slavia.  
 Green Gully v Frankston City.

**ROUND 6 — SUNDAY 13th MAY**  
 Prahran Slavia v Green Gully.  
 Preston Macedonia v Sunshine City.  
 Frankston City v Croydon City.  
 Essendon v Juventus.  
 Albion Leyland v Altona City.  
 George Cross v St Kilda Hakoah.

**ROUND 7 — SUNDAY 20th MAY**  
 St Kilda Hakoah v Croydon City.  
 Altona City v George Cross.  
 Juventus v Albion Leyland.  
 Sunshine City v Essendon.  
 Green Gully v Preston Macedonia.  
 Prahran Slavia v Frankston City.

**ROUND 8 — SUNDAY 3rd JUNE**  
 Preston Macedonia v Prahran Slavia.  
 Frankston City v St Kilda Hakoah.  
 Essendon v Green Gully.  
 Albion Leyland v Sunshine City.  
 George Cross v Juventus.  
 Croydon City v Altona City.

**ROUND 9 — SUNDAY 10th JUNE**  
 Altona City v St Kilda Hakoah.  
 Juventus v Croydon City.  
 Sunshine City v George Cross.  
 Green Gully v Albion Leyland.  
 Prahran Slavia v Essendon.  
 Preston Macedonia v Frankston City.

**ROUND 10 — SUNDAY 17th JUNE**  
 Frankston City v Altona City.  
 Essendon v Preston Macedonia.  
 George Cross v Green Gully.  
 Croydon City v Sunshine City.  
 St Kilda Hakoah v Juventus.  
 Albion Leyland v Prahran Slavia.

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**ROUND 11 — SUNDAY 1st JULY**  
 Juventus v Altona City.  
 Sunshine City v St Kilda Hakoah.  
 Green Gully v Croydon City.  
 Prahran Slavia v George Cross.  
 Preston Macedonia v Albion Leyland.  
 Essendon v Frankston City.



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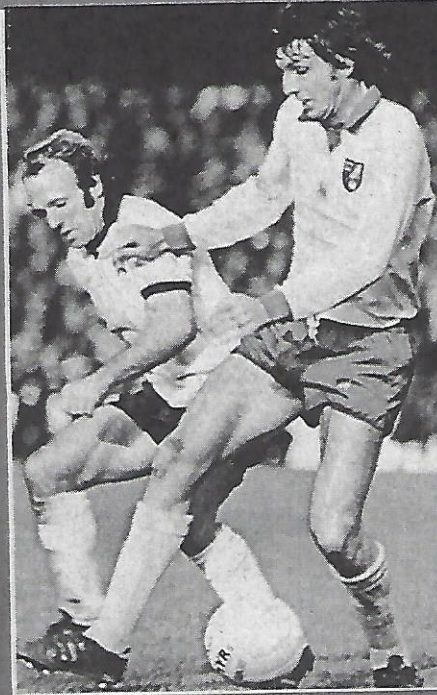


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Martin Peters (right), in action for Norwich City against Archie Gemmill of Derby. Peters, one of England's 1966 World Cup stars, will play guest games for Frankston City in May.



Midfielder Claude Lucchesi (Juventus).



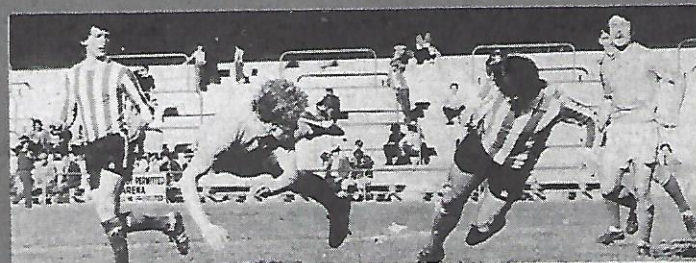
Midfielder Ian McCarthy of Green Gully Ajax.



Nick Rakovalis, the former Fitzroy Alexander defender now starring with Hakoah.



Norm Martland (right) and Billy Wilkinson, with the 1978 Dockerty Cup, won by George Cross.



Keith Adams (second from left), Essendon Croatia's recruit from Ringwood, flies to head for goal against Billy Wilkinson of George Cross. At left is Jim Paparas.

## League draw

### ROUND 12 — SUNDAY 8th JULY

Essendon v Albion Leyland.  
Preston Macedonia v George Cross.  
Pahran Slavia v Croydon City.  
Green Gully v St Kilda Hakoah.  
Sunshine City v Altona City.  
Frankston City v Juventus.

### ROUND 17 — SUNDAY 19th AUGUST

Green Gully v Pahran Slavia.  
Sunshine City v Preston Macedonia.  
Croydon City v Frankston City.  
Juventus v Essendon.  
Altona City v Albion Leyland.  
Hakoah St Kilda v George Cross.

### ROUND 18 — SUNDAY 26th AUGUST

Croydon City v St Kilda Hakoah.  
George Cross v Altona City.  
Albion Leyland v Juventus.  
Essendon v Sunshine City.  
Preston Macedonia v Green Gully.  
Frankston City v Pahran Slavia.

### ROUND 19 — SUNDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER

Pahran Slavia v Preston Macedonia.  
St Kilda Hakoah v Frankston City.  
Green Gully v Essendon.  
Sunshine City v Albion Leyland.  
Juventus v George Cross.  
Altona City v Croydon City.

### ROUND 20 — SUNDAY 9th SEPTEMBER

St Kilda Hakoah v Altona City.  
Croydon City v Juventus.  
George Cross v Sunshine City.  
Albion Leyland v Green Gully.  
Essendon v Pahran Slavia.  
Frankston City v Preston Macedonia.

### ROUND 21 — SUNDAY 16th SEPTEMBER

Altona City v Frankston City.  
Preston Macedonia v Essendon.  
Green Gully v George Cross.  
Sunshine City v Croydon City.  
Juventus v St Kilda Hakoah.  
Pahran Slavia v Albion Leyland.

### ROUND 22 — SUNDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER

Altona City v Juventus.  
St Kilda Hakoah v Sunshine City.  
Croydon City v Green Gully.  
George Cross v Pahran Slavia.  
Albion Leyland v Preston Macedonia.  
Frankston City v Essendon.

### ROUND 13 — SUNDAY 22nd JULY

Juventus v Sunshine City.  
Altona City v Green Gully.  
St Kilda Hakoah v Pahran Slavia.  
Croydon City v Preston Macedonia.  
Albion Leyland v Frankston City.  
George Cross v Essendon.

### ROUND 14 — SUNDAY 29th JULY

Albion Leyland v George Cross.  
Essendon v Croydon City.  
Preston Macedonia v St Kilda Hakoah.  
Pahran Slavia v Altona City.  
Green Gully v Juventus.  
Frankston City v Sunshine City.

### ROUND 15 — SUNDAY 5th August

Sunshine City v Green Gully.  
Juventus v Pahran Slavia.  
Altona City v Preston Macedonia.  
George Cross v Frankston City.  
St Kilda Hakoah v Essendon.  
Croydon City v Albion Leyland.

### ROUND 16 — SUNDAY 12th AUGUST

George Cross v Croydon City.  
Albion Leyland v St Kilda Hakoah.  
Essendon v Altona City.  
Preston Macedonia v Juventus.  
Pahran Slavia v Sunshine City.  
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Juventus forward Tony Curcio gets treatment from masseur Bill Beveridge.

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**Goals:** Abonyi (30'), 2-0, Cootes (68') Croatia, Phil O'Connor (84') St. George.  
**CROATIA:** Watson 8, A. Kovacic 7, B. Cagaj 8, T. Basic 8, G. Smith 7, Vidjic 6, Mullen 6, Savor 6, Abonyi 7, M. Kovacic 8, Cootes 7.  
**ST. GEORGE:** Fraser 6, Harris 6, Della Pica 5, Holmick 6, R. O'Shea 7, Grosse 8, J. O'Shea 6, S. Mattic 6 (Duarte 72'), Cotton 5, O'Connor 8.

Croatia was not impressive in its win against St. George, yet Abonyi & Co. managed to come within an inch of tossing the mighty Dragons out of the quarter-finals.

Leading 2-0 after 84 minutes, Croatia had the same goal average as St. George (9.4) and the same number of points (6), which meant that the two teams would have had to replay to decide who would go through to the quarter-finals.

St. George did not look menacing, and in the last six minutes Croatia not only looked capable of holding St. George attack, but looked the more likely side to score the third goal.

Then out of the blue Denis Duarte flicked a pass to Hensman who ran to the line then squared for Phil O'Connor to score the simplest of goals which cut Croatia's lead to one.

With more than five minutes left Croatia still had a great chance to go all out and score its third goal, which would have had the two teams tied. Instead its defenders decided to keep possession and play out the remaining five minutes in its own half.

A curious decision indeed! Croatia's captain, Greg Smith

appeared stunned after the game when I pointed out that the tactics used in the last five minutes baffled the Press.

We knew that we had to win by three goals to qualify and never even considered the possibility of a tie — said the bewildered Smith.

Croatia's coach, Attila Abonyi played his 500th game against his old club and was quite happy about the 2-1 win. "Who would have given us a chance to draw before this game," said Attila. "I must admit that a replay did not come to my mind in those last five minutes, simply because we were so intent on making that three goal margin. Once St. George made it a one goal margin, we just felt we were out of it."

The celebrity, Abonyi, certainly a household name in Australian soccer opened the scoring for Croatia in the 30th minute. Robert O'Shea, the St. George midfielder brought Abonyi down 28 metres from goal, and Abonyi decided to take the kick. It was a vintage Abonyi goal, that finished in the top left hand corner out of Mike Fraser's reach.

Croatia lead 1-0 at half time, but the story could have been different had some of the chances been taken. The main offenders were certainly the St. George players.

Stefan Matcic in the 10th, O'Connor in the 22nd, Hensman in the 32nd minutes all had good scoring opportunities, but partly because of some good goalkeeping by Watson, and mainly because of poor finishing St. George went in scoreless.

Croatia, apart from Abonyi's goal, had a great chance in the 18th minutes after a poor clearance by Fraser fell to the feet of Bruno Vidjic, but the young striker missed it by shooting past the left upright.

Peter Hensman hit the crossbar with a sizzling drive in the 47th minute, then Watson saved brilliantly from O'Connor in the 60th.

Croatia had its opportunity through Bruno Cagaj. Playing a great game at the back and

Griffiths smashed in a shot from the left wing, which rebounded into the net from the far post for the equaliser — and there could have been more as time went on.

What went wrong for Sydney City?

Coach Gerry Chaldi analysed that the fault lay with a half-time reshuffle, which saw Terry Smith replaced by young Brazilian import Marcos Silva.

Barnes was switched to the pivot of attack — and almost immediately the Blues missed his presence in mid-field.

"None of the others are willing to do Murray's dirty work," Chaldi summed up, before moving the lanky Socceroo back into the thick of things in the 70th minute.

Almost immediately things improved and Hilton Silva went very close with a scorching shot in the 80th, but the woodwork foiled him.

Avala refused to be satisfied with one point, and both Jancsek and Kodor had chances in the next two minutes to wrap the game up.

It wasn't all gloom for City; Steve O'Connor played another magnificent game in the defence.

The strapping youngster is performing with such flair, confidence and power, this year that he seems very likely to be among the first picked for Gutendorf's "Mark 79" Socceroos.

It was also a pleasure to see Alan Kershaw's first half performance: he is obviously determined to capitalise on Kevin Mullen's enforced absence through injury.

Two of the club's new Brazilians made their debut, both of them — as expected — performing quietly in their new environment.

However, tall, elegant full-back Mozart Fonseca already showed glimpses of clever skills and imagination, but tiny Marcos Silva had a less successful beginning.

PETER SCOTT

frequently attacking. Bruno raced through to accept a brilliant through ball by Vidjic, then shot hard from 16 metres, but Fraser made a good save.

With the game seemingly deteriorating, Croatia struck again.

It was in the 64th minute, Marlon Kovacic centred from the right touchline, Abonyi and Grosse challenged for a ball, but it went over their heads to the feet of young Wayne Cootes, who fired a first time drive past helpless St. George keeper.

St. George players played well below their ability and certainly didn't deserve to win. But they must be kicking themselves for letting this one slip away, as the loss against Croatia put them against Sydney Olympic instead of Yugal.

O'Connor, Hensman and Bruno Grosse played well for St. George while the rest failed miserably. For Croatia, Cagaj, Kovacic and Tom Basic were outstanding while Abonyi played well in patches — ALEX VESIC.



## NSW AMPOL CUP

The NSW Ampol Cup quarter-finals will be played this weekend, February 23 & 24.

Games are:  
APIA v MARCONI, SYDNEY CITY v SUTHERLAND, YUGAL v MELITA, ST. GEORGE v SYDNEY OLYMPIC.

Results and tables  
**GROUP "A"**  
Sydney City — Avala 1-1  
Toongabbie — Kuringai 5-0

## QUARTER-FINALS THIS WEEK

TABLE	Goals	Pts	TABLE	Goals	Pts
APIA	10:3	7	SUTHERLAND	9:5	7
SYDNEY CITY	7:3	6	MARCONI	11:4	5
Toongabbie	8:8	3	Bankstown	7:10	5
Avala	4:7	3	Monaro	7:10	2
Kuringai	3:12	1	Arncliffe	4:9	1

GROUP "B"	GROUP "C"
Sutherland — Arncliffe 1-0 Bankstown — Inter Monaro 3-2	Olympic — Marrickville 7-0 Yugal — Auburn 1-1

TABLE	Goals	Pts
OLYMPIC	12:2	8
YUGAL	7:5	8
Auburn	5:4	4
Marrickville	4:12	2
Revesby	3:8	1

GROUP "D"	Goals	Pts
Croatia — St. George 2-1 Melita — Granville 1-0		

TABLE	Goals	Pts
MELITA	11:2	6
ST. GEORGE	10:4	6
Croatia	9:5	6
Manly	4:14	2
Granville	3:12	0



St. George's new grandstand at Barton Park. The stand, nearing completion, seats 4000 people.

## MELITA 1 GRANVILLE 0

**Ground:** Marconi Oval.  
**Crowd:** 4000.  
**Referee:** Bob Graham  
**Cautions:** Billy Fraser (G).  
**Goal:** D. Allan (68').  
**MELITA:** Backlow 7, Ververis 7 (McPherson 7-53), Mikas 8, Yamine 8, McDonald 7, Darvill 7, Parker 9, McAusland 6, D. Allan 8, Farrugia 8, Jones 7.

**GRANVILLE:** Hoare 8, Baron 7, Selfridge 7, Biglands 6, Lackey 8, Forwood 7, Fraser 7, Bates 6 (Abbott 80), Gauci 6, Morrow 6, McGrath 6.

Brian Parker, Melita's live wire forward, took only 20 seconds to warm up before creating the first of many chances that were to be wasted.

Biglands was in possession some 35 metres from his own goal, but he failed to notice Parker, who came from behind to rake the ball away and set sails for Granville's goal. On his way, Parker rounded Selfridge then sent a perfect cross for Don Allan, who managed to put his foot to the ball and lob Barry Hoare, but the ball just missed the post.

From that moment on, Melita never looked back, and although they didn't score till the 68th minute, it just didn't seem possible for Granville to survive the onslaught by the Eagles.

Coached to entertain and score goals, Melita did just what every footballer fan wants to see. Chances galore and goals galore against Manly were the result of a positive approach to the game by Melita's coach, Raul Blanco.

Against Granville, Melita played even better and created just as many chances, but failed to produce the shooting capabilities that helped them notch eight the week before.

Let's look at the chances. A miss by Alan in the first minute was followed by another opportunity that fell to Terry Jones in the 13th.

ALEX VESIC.

## SYD. OLYMPI 7 YUGAL 1 MARRICKVILLE 0 AUBURN 1

**Ground:** Barton Park.  
**Crowd:** 2400.  
**Referee:** Peter Rampley 8.  
**Goals:** Eaton (4), McIntosh (29'), Wignall (o.g. 63'), Raskopoulos (65'), McIntosh (68'), G. Alan (70'). Jamieson (75').

**SYDNEY OLYMPIC:** Meier 7, Allan 8, Alsie 7 (Luckett 80'), Ball 7 (Wilson — 65'), Gibson 7, Cross 7, Laing 8, Raskopoulos 7, Jamieson 8, McIntosh 7, Eaton 7.

**MARRICKVILLE:** Evans 5, Kable 7, Pannan 5, Wignall 6, Scheldrick 5, Zirox 8, Williams 6, Brown 6, Balefas 7 (Bryden 6), Stephenson 5, Rarnisch 6, Karapaneos 6.

Sydney Olympic toyed with Marrickville for most of the game then in a scoring burst of 12 minutes put five goals past the bewildered Evans to score the second biggest win of this year's Ampol Cup.

Clive Eaton started the "slide" minute of the first half. Twenty-five metres away from the line Eaton decided to shoot for goal and it turned out to be the best goal of the game. The ball rocketed past Evans into the roof of the net and Olympic was on its way.

Alec Jamieson's well measured cross in the 29th minute found Dave McIntosh at the far post and the tall striker headed past Evans for Olympics second goal.

With Olympic in full control of the game, and only Zirox and Kable offering token resistance, it was only a matter of time before Olympic scored again.

Alan Alsie drove from 25 metres and Evans appeared to have it covered, going for the left hand corner. However, the ball struck the unfortunate Wignall and changed its course to land in the right hand corner and give Olympic its third goal.

With 70 minutes gone, with the score 5-0, Marrickville's defence failed to clear and the ball ran to G. Alan, who drove a first time shot towards goal. Evans managed to touch the ball but it rolled over the line. McIntosh nudged the ball into the net, but I think that the ball was already over the line when McIntosh touched it, and in my book the goal goes to the fullback.

Yugal opened the scoring in the 51st minute after some determined running by Delaney. Auburn defence seemed to have the ball in its grasp when Delaney struck, raking the ball away from Cornett, then curling it over the head of Dobson to the unmarked Karaniflovski.

The speedy forward did not waste time in slotting the ball past Fibrouse from no more than six metres.

Auburn replied in the 53rd minute — ALEX VESIC.

## TOONGABBIE 5 KURINGAI 0

**At Garside Park.**  
**Crowd:** 1200 (Double header).  
**Referee:** Phelps 5.  
**Goals:** Karaniflovski (51'), Yugal, Hogg (53'). Auburn.

**YUGAL:** Berry 7, Radovac 8, Duarte 6, Prgomelja 7, Klemperer 7, Purac 8, Tanovski (Travini 6 22'), Mihajlovic 7, Karaniflovski 7, Galifocco 6, Delaney 7.

**AUBURN:** Gisbourne 7, Cornett 6, Cross 7, Fairclough 7, Dobson 8, Field 6, McDonald 7, Juchniowicz 6, Sandstrom 6, Hogg 8, Peters 6 (Lusk 7 — 40').

Yugal and Auburn laboured through the first half with neither team gaining the upper hand or being able to create the opening for that vital goal that would have meant the difference between a place in the quarter-finals or dropping out of the race for the Ampol Cup.

Travini in the 33rd and Galifocco in the 40th had marginal chances for Yugal, while Sandstrom had a sitter for Auburn in the 43rd minute, but they failed to find the net.

In the second half, the pace lived up, but still a far cry from what one would have expected from two teams fighting for a place in the top eight. Auburn, in particular, looked very sluggish and only Dobson at the back and Bobby Hogg in midfield looked intent on fighting to the end, but could not find much support.

The second half erupted with an incident that almost led to the sending off of a Yugal player in the 54th minute. Branko Karaniflovski earned the yellow card for a foul in the 49th minute, followed by another yellow card this time to Duarte in the 52nd minute.

With the scores at 1-1, Karaniflovski and McDonald clashed in midfield and McDonald appeared to have struck the Yugal player. The referee was slow to react and Tommy Mihajlovic had a few things to say.

Yugal coach, Tony Shwartz appeared visibly upset and jumped from his chair to complain to the referee. The Yugal player asking for McDonald's "head" Tommy Mihajlovic — seemed to get the red card.

However, Mihajlovic continued to play and Hogg interviewed the referee on the matter. It appeared that the referee in his haste, picked up the wrong colour card from his pocket and flashed the wrong one to Mihajlovic for obvious dissent, for which he apologised to Mihajlovic and asked him to stay on.

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**Goals:** Fisher (4th min), Calk (62'), Fisher (70'), Izatt (80'), Pollard (85').

**TOONGABBIE:** James 9, Finch 6, Neil Taylor 6, Pons 6, Parkhouse 8, Hormazabal 7, Calk 7, Harding 7, Fisher 8 (de Valle 76th min), Izatt 7, Pollard 7.

**KURINGAI:** Taylor 7, Chambers (sent off 68th min), Gossie 5, Malome 6, Robertson 6, Lee 5, Hill 8, Kinsey 7, Ross Smith 6, Voudsen 5, Ken Smith 5.

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## To the editor

SIR — I would like to comment on Mr Peter Scott's coverage of the Sydney City Apia game, played on January 31, as there are things which don't correspond to reality.

The line-up is incorrect as Barnes started the game as central defender, he actually played in the mid-field and not as left winger.

Wingworth replaced Yousaf in the 77th minute, not 80th.

Jimmy Webber is a striker, not a defender as stated played his first game as full-back and Ralph Anore who replaced Terry Smith is a defender-sweeper (position that he actually played in and not mid-fielder as Mr Scott reports).

The Beghin and Sader parallel is in poor taste and shows the writer's ignorance as Yousaf is not an Arab but Assyrian.

On the speedy hand, in Israel are Arab players playing in Jewish teams and one of them, Hiflat Turk, was in Australia in 1978 with the visiting Israeli national team. — Steve Nagy, Curlew St, Bondi Beach.

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# Let's not make excuses

The reasons given for the Australian under 19 team's failure are that everyone and everything was against the side. From experience, I know every Australian team has faced similar problems on overseas tours.

During a World Cup qualifying game in 1969, Johnny Warren ran from the half-way line, beating six defenders, before scoring a goal, only to have the referee award a free kick against him in the middle of the ground.

Stanley Rous, the former president of FIFA, was at the game, and left the official box in disgust.

It's something the young boys have got to learn to cope with. Things like that should inspire greater effort, not destroy team spirit.

Any Australian team which tours has a job to do. All the sides have faced problems and many have overcome them. Making excuses just isn't good enough.

Next week I will name the best Australia XI in my era and discuss the styles of two national coaches I have played under — Rale Rasic and Joe Vislita.

I will also tell why I quit soccer in 1970 to set up a business that made world headlines four years later.



The Australian under 19s — all smiles as they left for Paraguay.

Schaefer's Shots

## They gave me a trophy for my knock-out punch

My greatest disappointment in international soccer was that I won only 49 caps for Australia.

I desperately wanted to reach the half century mark but that's the way things go.

My first appearance for Australia was in 1967 against New Zealand. The game was part of a tournament in Vietnam involving several nations.

I came on as a substitute in the second half for Frank Micic after our coach 'Uncle Joe Vislita' decided I was the man to upset the New Zealand forwards who were causing a deal of trouble to the Australian defence.

The feeling was unbelievable as I ran onto the pitch. Fortunately my mental approach was good and I settled down quickly.

Australia won the game 4-2 on

a rain-soaked pitch, and I was glad to get that first international under my belt. Two years earlier I thought I would never be picked to represent Australia.

In 1965 I missed selection for Australia's World Cup squad for qualifying games in Cambodia. I had been told unofficially I was in the squad but when the tour party was announced, I was not included.

But I'm not the only player to miss out on selection to the Australian team after being told he was a certainty.

However, after my debut

against New Zealand, I retained my place for the remainder of the tournament. Australia won the final, defeating South Korea 3-0. I was 24 years old at the time.

My first appearance in the green and gold shirt was certainly memorable, but my last game, in West Berlin 1974, was the most rewarding and satisfying.

As for my debut, the pitch was rain-soaked and although Australia could manage only a 0-0 draw with Chile, we were a couple of goals better than our opponents.

It was our final game in the 1974 World Cup finals and a great performance by the Australians.

Poor finishing cost us victory against Chile but goal scoring has always been a problem for Australian national teams.

Australian teams have always been able to win the ball, play it about and move it forward, but the rhythm always broke down when it came to putting the ball into the net.

During my international career, I experienced riots, tours to all corners of the world, triumphs and heart-breaking failure. But as far as I'm concerned, the worst thing was the attitude of Australian crowds to the national team.

No matter where we played — Sydney or Melbourne — we faced a constant battle to win the home crowd's support,

and the Australian team was often appreciated more overseas.

World Cup qualifying games were different. At the time the crowds would get behind us even when we were playing well below our best but still the national team hasn't been fully accepted by Australian fans.

Overseas tours create many funny and sad incidents. I will tell you of a few of the funny incidents that aren't normally reported by the media. Facts and figures about the national team are well and good but it is the behind-the-scenes happenings that interest soccer fans most.

I'll never forget the time the Australian team bus pulled up outside our hotel in Vietnam in 1967. There was a young Englishman in the party who was unknown and unproved.

What's more, the bulk of the squad came from New South Wales, except our young friend, who hailed from Queensland.

After the bus had pulled up, the young Englishman stood up and declared at the top of his voice: "Bobby Charlton wouldn't stay in that place, so why should we?"

I wondered who this young man was, standing there with his big chest stuck out. It was Ray Richards, who later became a pillar of strength in the Australian team, and one of the greatest players to represent the country.

In 1969 we visited South Korea for a World Cup qualifying match. We drew 0-0 to put the Koreans out of the running, and keep our hopes alive.

The morning after the match Billy Vojtek and I went for a walk to a nearby village. The game had been given wide coverage and soon there were people coming from everywhere because they recognised us.

Billy didn't wait to see what was going on. Without saying a word, he took off towards the hotel at a tremendous pace. I was almost said to be the fittest man in the team, but there was no way I could catch Billy.

That's the type of friend you need when a 'blue' is about to start!

It showed Vojtek was quite fit, despite the fact he never liked training or putting in extra effort during a game.

A year after that, the squad was in London on the world tour of 1970. 'Noddy Alston, who came from England, offered to show us around Luton, which is about eight miles from London.

We were having a look at a few sights in the area, and 'Noddy' directed us to a paddock. It was night, and the paddock quite dark.

The story was that years earlier, two girls had been murdered in the paddock and every time there was a full moon the ghosts of the girls would appear.

We looked closely and could see a figure whose teeth and jumper stood out. We got the shock of our lives and even 'Noddy' couldn't explain what was happening.

Then our friend from the dark walked Harry Williams wearing a white jumper!

He had taken a short cut to catch up with us, and after we explained why we were a little pale, Harry saw the funny side.

Every team has its resident comic. Between 1967-69 Alan Mamoch was the funny man of the Australian team.

He had the ability to mimic various people and was excellent at taking off coach Joe Vislita.

In 1969 we were in Mozambique. The weather was hot as hell and the squad spent the whole day by the hotel pool. Just as the hottest part of the day was approaching, there was a call on the poolside phone for one of the squad members.

Four players were told 'Uncle Joe' was on the phone and that we wanted them to get into their full uniform, including trousers, blazer and tie. They were to meet him in the hotel lobby in 10 minutes to go to an official function.

The foursome trooped off and returned fully attired 10 minutes later. They were sweating like pigs in the steamy conditions but really blew their cool when Mar-

noch rolled up in the lobby and told them it was he who had sent the call!

If John Barclay, the tour manager, could corner Alan he would find out why his room-service bills got so high during the trip!

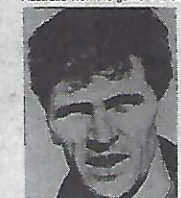
I always remember a match against Israel in 1969 as being funny. Early in the match, Israel's star striker Mordchai Spiegler put the ball through my legs, but as he ran past he got tangled up, clipped my leg and ended up flying through the air and landing on his head!

The 50,000 crowd, thinking I had up-ended his hero, booed loudly. This made me feel right at home and I had one of my best matches for Australia!

But the funniest incident I was involved in came in Brisbane. Australia was playing Greece, and one of the opposing midfielders kept kicking Australia's Danny Walsh.

Later Walsh was flattened from behind and I decided that was enough. I ran nearly the length of the field and landed a right hook on the jaw of the spiteful Greek, Muhammad Ali would have been proud of that punch and everyone at the ground, bar the referee, saw it.

But despite laying out the opponent, I was voted best and fairest player of the match by a panel of soccer writers! I was presented with a beautiful trophy which I still have.



Alan Mamoch — practical joker.



Harry Williams — ghost at murder scene.

## Stand by for the Irish super-star!

By PETER WINDSOR

Canberra City should this week complete negotiations to sign a player described as the finest midfielder in Irish soccer.

In fact his club, Sligo, is not prepared to let him go permanently and has loaned him to Canberra City only until late August.

Sligo is a Premier League side in Ireland and the player City has signed is only 23-year-old and has had European Cup experience.

Canberra's administrator, Max Talbot, said: "He comes with the highest possible recommendations."

"I am not prepared, however, to release his name and further particulars until I have received his contract."

"I can only add that the contract has apparently been signed and is on its way back to Australia. The appalling weather in the UK at the moment has caused a delay in the mail and we don't expect to get the contract until the end of the week."

Once it arrives Canberra will ask the Immigration Department to arrange for the player's entry to Australia as quickly as possible.

"I must say the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs has been tremendously co-operative in these matters in the past," Talbot said.

"We want this player here as quickly as possible. He would be our final overseas signing."

He would, of course, be the replacement Canberra City needs to fill the void left by the departure of Tony Henderson to Marconi for a \$14,000 transfer fee.

### Bailey arrives

George Bailey, City's 21-year-old forward from Manchester United Reserves (more recently on loan to Doncaster Rovers) arrived in Canberra last Friday.

He looks fit and well and played for part of the game against South Melbourne in Melbourne last Sunday, with Canberra winning 2-1.

Mike Smith, from Stoke City, arrives at the weekend or early next week.

On the surface all this activity seems good — but one vital aspect of it hasn't pleased new coach Vic Fernandez.

Fernandez, a man dedicated to City's success, still does not have a complete squad to tick into shape before the season actually begins.

Bailey has just arrived, Smith is not yet here and young defenders Mousis, Milovanovic and Hogg will not play in any pre-season games.

Once they return from Paraguay they will be rested until the season begins.

"It is not a situation any coach wants," Fernandez said, "Every coach would prefer his total squad well and truly known and training together for some weeks before the season actually begins."

## Moral victory to SA: Lenczyk

By MENO TOUTSIDIS

South Australia grabbed a sensational last-second equaliser to prevent Wisla Krakow from completing a clean sweep of victories on their four-match Australian tour.

Wisla, the European Cup quarter finalists, looked like adding SA to their previous three scalps — Australia, Queensland and Victoria — after a shock goal in the first minutes.

But SA, which was hastily put together after four players dropped out of the squad because of injuries, stayed within reach of Wisla before David Leane delivered the last-second KO punch.

Wisla coach Orest Lenczyk was fuming after the match, claiming his champion team took it too easy in the last 20 minutes.

He was not impressed by Wisla's tactics of playing possession soccer late in the game during which they made little attempt to strengthen their grip.

"I congratulate you on your moral victory but this was a most unsatisfactory performance by my team," was his only comment.

Wisla started ominously when midfielder Leszek Lipka tore through SA's feeble defence and effortlessly cracked the ball past keeper Martyn Crook after just 55 seconds.

Wisla had little trouble finding the gaps in defence but were forced to defend themselves in the sixth minute when Vic Bozanic's delicately-placed free kick just missed its target.

But Wisla came roaring back and Crook had to make the first of several brilliant saves when he raced off his goal line to block a shot from winger Michael Wrobel.

Wrobel was in spectacular form. However, SA gradually regained its composure and Neil McGachey and Bugsy Nyskohus developed into formidable forces in defence.

Aggie Muniz should have equalised in the 14th minute but his close-range ground shot was deflected by defender Marek Motyka, with 'keeper Stanislaw Gonet well beaten.

Barry Reynolds stormed into the penalty area for the corner kick but his powerful header scraped the crossbar.

Henry Kolecki and Muniz were major obstacles for the Poles in midfield but the attack was unbalanced. Tough Dixie Deans fought admirably but Ian McGregor and John Kyskous rarely offered him support.

Coach Eddie Krefit could have brought on David Leane earlier, as his height and aerial dominance would have complemented Deans' ground skills.

Wisla were unfortunate not to have grabbed a second goal midway through the first half when World Cup defender Henryk Maculewicz hit a furious free kick which Crook stopped at his second attempt.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1 WISLA KRACOW 1 at Hindmarsh Stadium, Adelaide.**  
**Scorers:** Lipa (Wisla) 1st Leane (SA) 69th.  
**Crowd:** 6,768  
**Referee:** Don Campbell 8.  
**Ratings:**  
**SA —** Crook 9, Reynolds 7, B. Nyskohus 8, Boyle 7, (Leane) McGachey 8, Bozanic 7, Kolecki 7, Deans 8, Muniz 7, J. Nyskohus 7, McGinney 7.  
**WISLA —** Gonet 7, Motyka 9, Maculewicz 9, Plaszewski 8, Budka 7 (Skrobowski) Lipka 8, Wrobel 9 (Targosz), Kapka 7, Nawalka 7 (Jaloch), Kmicik 8 (Gozal), Krysinski 8.

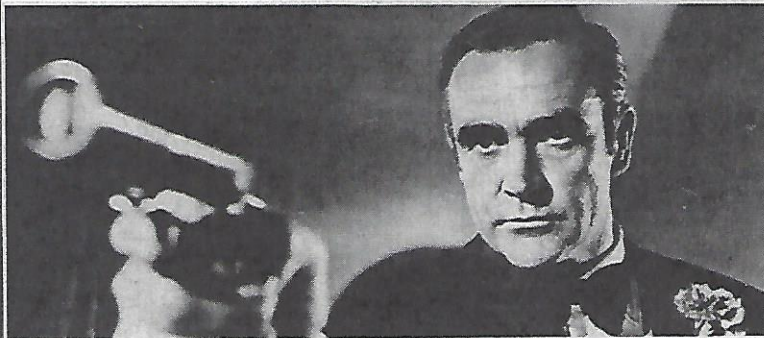
Moments later Nyskohus sent a superb crossfield pass to Muniz who shot powerfully but Gonet's outstretched leg diverted it for a corner.



South Australia's Vic Bozanic tackles Wisla Krakow's Zdzislaw Kapka. At right is Henry Kolecki.



# The world of soccer... The world of soccer



Sean Connery, alias James Bond — almost signed by Matt Busby

## Ref. can book whole team for a foul!

From JIM COOK  
Our European Correspondent

In Argentina, if a player commits a so-called professional foul, the referee is entitled to book the entire team. Reason given is that the so-called professional fouls are premeditated and often the result of managers' instructions. So the team is held responsible. A further offence means automatic expulsion. Since introduction there has been a marked improvement in behaviour.

Sir Stanley Matthews recently celebrated his 64th birthday in Malta where he resides. Stan just came back from a long coaching spell with young black players in South Africa. He occasionally plays for the village team in Malta, gets up at 6.30 every morning and completes a two-mile run to collect his newspaper.

In one of their recent games, Scottish Premier League leaders Dundee United had four different types of footwear in their hamper to beat the snow and ice — one kit of leathers, one of rubbers, one of flats and the new multi-studded boots. Total cost was nearly 200 pounds.

Matt Busby, in a recent newspaper article, said he was once on the verge of offering a year's contract to Sean Connery (James Bond, 007) who was then little known but decided to remain in acting. Connery was at that time a promising right winger with Edinburgh and District Junior club, Bonnyrigg Rose, the club which Jim Mackay played for.

Geoff Hurst who scored a hat-trick for England in the 1966 World Cup final against West Germany, recently turned down a 25,000 pounds a year offer as national coach to Dubai. Hurst is currently an assistant coach to the English national side and also

manager of non-league side Telford United.

Gary Bailey who has taken over from Alex Stepany in the Manchester United goal, came from the Wits Soccer Club in Johannesburg where former United player Eddie Lewis is coach.

Luther Blissett the Jamaican-born Watford striker, could have been eligible to play for Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales or England after he recently got his British passport. Blissett opted for England and was quickly rewarded by inclusion in England's Under 21 side.

Four top English League players have been sidelined through injury for a long time. Willie Maddren, the Middle-sborough defender, tops the list after being out of action since September 1977 with an injured knee that spells serious doubts to his future.

Gordon Hill, the former Manchester United winger now with Coventry, is unlikely to play again before April after a cartilage operation. Andy Gray the Aston Villa and Scotland striker who has been out of action through injury for months is still uncertain of his come-back date but Malcolm McDonald, also out for a long time, could be on the way back next month.

## England All-Blacks?

West Bromwich Albion manager Ron Atkinson has suggested the formation of an England All-Blacks team to play in a testimonial for WBA star Len Cantello.

The All-Blacks, made up, as the name suggests, of blacks, would play against WBA's white players, reinforced by a few guest stars. Laurie Cunningham and Cyril Regis, two of WBA's blacks, have already come up with a suggested team and Regis has joked that Enoch Powell could be the team manager.

The Cunningham-Regis line-ups would be: Richardson (QPR) — Anderson (Notts Forest), Berry (Wolves), Hazell (Wolves).

## We'll know on May 19

FRANKFURT, — Colombia will probably have to stand down as host of the 1986 World Cup if the number of finalists is extended to 24, the chief organizer of the next final series said today.

Hermann Neuberger, West German chief of the organization committee for the 1982 finals in Spain, said FIFA executive committee would decide on the number of finalists on May 19.

Neuberger said in an interview with the West German sports news agency SLD most European countries were in favour of sticking to the present system of 16 finalists. Asked if Spain could cope with 24 finalists, Neuberger said: "Twelve stadiums are necessary and more towns than that have offered. I will get an on-the-spot briefing at the end of April on how things stand."

## Chinaglia tops with 34

Italian international Giorgio Chinaglia was top scorer in the North American Soccer League for 1978.

Below is the list of top scorers. Under the quaint American system, a goal counts for two points and an "assist" (a pass that results in a goal) counts for one point.

	Goals	Assts	Pts
Giorgio Chinaglia (Cosmos)	34	11	79
Mike Flanagan (New England)	30	8	68
Trevor Francis (Detroit)	22	10	54
Kevin Hector (Vancouver)	21	10	52
Rodney Marsh (Tampa Bay)	18	16	52
Jeff Bourne (Dallas)	21	8	50
Karl-Heinz Granitz (Chicago)	19	9	47
Alan Willey (Minnesota)	21	3	45
Ivan Lukacevic (Toronto)	16	5	37
David Irving (Ft. Lauderdale)	16	5	37
Bob Lenarduzzi (Vancouver)	10	17	37
Vladislav Bogicevic (Cosmos)	10	17	37

## Korea reigns supreme

South Korea maintained its dominance over Asian soccer when its 'A' team won the 1978 President's Cup tournament and its 'B' team finished third.

The tournament was run between September 9 and 21 last year, but the full details were compiled only last week by the official FIFA publication "FIFA News."

### President's Cup Football Tournament 1978

9-21.9.1978 — Seoul, Korea Republic

Date	Venue	Match	Result	Referee
Date	Lieu	Partido	Resultado	Arbitro
Datum	Ort	Spjel	Resultat	Schiedsrichter
<b>Group A</b>				
9.9.	Seoul	Korea Rep. A v. Washington Diplomats	3:2 (1:1)	T. Delahunty, New Zealand
	Seoul	Malaysia v. Bahrain	2:1 (1:1)	Maeng Kwang-Sup, Korea Rep.
11.9.	Busan	Wash. Dipl. v. Bahrain	3:2 (2:0)	Kim Joo-Won, Korea Rep.
	Busan	Malaysia v. Korea Rep. A	2:2 (1:0)	U. Anantapong, Thailand
13.9.	Daegu	Malaysia v. Wash. Dipl.	0:2 (0:1)	Lee Woo-Bong, Korea Rep.
	Daegu	Korea Rep. A v. Bahrain	3:1 (2:1)	H. Sudarso, Indonesia

<b>Classification:</b>	1. Korea Rep. A	3	2	1	0	8.5	5
	2. Washington Diplomats	3	2	0	1	7.5	4
	3. Malaysia	3	1	1	4.5	3	
	4. Bahrain	3	0	0	3	4.8	0
		12	5	2	5	23.23	12

<b>Group B</b>				
11.9.	Daegu	Iran v. New Zealand	2:1 (2:1)	Baek Bong-Ki, Korea Rep.
	Daegu	Morocco v. Eintr. Frankfurt	1:1 (0:1)	Lee Woo-Bong, Korea Rep.
13.9.	Busan	Morocco v. New Zealand	3:0 (1:0)	Maeng Kwang-Sup, Korea Rep.
	Busan	Iran v. Eintracht Frankfurt	3:1 (2:1)	T. Kibritjian, USA
15.9.	Seoul	New Zealand v. Eintr. Frankt.	3:0 (2:0)	T. Kibritjian, USA
	Seoul	Iran v. Morocco	2:0 (1:0)	Baek Bong-Ki, Korea Rep.

<b>Classification:</b>	1. Iran	3	3	0	0	7.2	6
	2. Morocco	3	1	1	4.3	3	
	3. New Zealand	3	1	0	2	4.5	2
	4. Eintracht Frankfurt	3	0	1	2	2.7	1
		12	5	2	5	17.17	12

<b>Group C</b>				
10.9.	Chun-Ju	Lebanon v. Mexico City Sel.	1:7 (1:2)	Park Chong-Hwan, Korea R.
12.9.	Kwangju	Mexico City v. USA Amateurs	2:0 (2:0)	Park Chong-Hwan, Korea R.
14.9.	Seoul	Lebanon v. USA Amateurs	1:6 (0:4)	Han Kyu-Suck, Korea Rep.

<b>Classification:</b>	1. Mexico City Selection	2	2	0	0	9.1	4
	2. USA Amateurs	2	1	0	1	6.3	2
	3. Lebanon	2	0	0	2	2.13	0
		6	3	0	3	17.17	6

Group D						
10.9.	Seoul	Korea Rep. B v. Sao Paulo FC	4:0 (2:0)	M. Abdulla, Bahrain		
	Chun-Ju	Thailand v. Indonesia	2:0 (2:0)	Lee Woo-Hyun, Korea Rep.		
12.9.	Chun-Ju	Sao Paulo FC v. Thailand	2:0 (2:0)	Lee Woo-Hyun, Korea Rep.		
	Chun-Ju	Korea Rep. B v. Indonesia	1:1 (1:1)	M. Abdulla, Bahrain		
14.9.	Kwangji	Sao Paulo FC v. Indonesia	3:0 (2:0)	Lee Woo-Hyun, Korea Rep.		
	Kwangji	Korea Rep. B v. Thailand	4:2 (3:2)	Z. Abidin, Malaysia		
<b>Classification:</b>						
	1. Korea Rep. B	3	2	1	0	9.3 5
	2. Sao Paulo FC	3	2	0	1	5.4 4
	3. Thailand	3	1	0	2	4.6 2
	4. Indonesia	3	0	1	2	1.6 1
		12	5	2	5	19.19 12

<b>Quarter Finals</b>				
16.9.	Seoul	Washington v. Mexico City Diplomats Selection	3:1 (2:0)	Han Kyu-Suck, Korea Rep.
16.9.	Seoul	Korea Rep. A v. USA Amat.	4:1 (1:0)	H. Sudarso, Indonesia
17.9.	Seoul	Korea Rep. B v. Iran	2:1 (1:1)	U. Anantapong, Thailand
17.9.	Seoul	Sao Paulo FC v. Morocco	1:0 (0:0)	T. Delahunty, New Zealand

Sao Paulo FC withdrew —  
Qualified: Washington Diplomats, Korea Rep. A, Korea Rep. B, Morocco

<b>Semi-Finals</b>				
19.9.	Seoul	Wash. Dipl. v. Morocco	3:1 (1:0)	T. Delahunty, New Zealand
	Seoul	Korea Rep. A v. Korea Rep. B	1:0 (1:0)	Z. Abidin, Malaysia

<b>3/4 Place Match</b>				
21.9.	Seoul	Korea Rep. B v. Morocco	1:0 (1:0)	T. Kibritjian, USA

<b>Final</b>				
21.9.	Seoul	Korea Rep. A v. Washington Diplomats	6:2 (3:0)	H. Sudarso, Indonesia

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● Sydney City star Murray Barnes seen through the eyes of photographer Sam Belfonte. (Main picture) — Barnes challenges Iran's goalkeeper Hajazi for a high ball. (Above) Jil Kivris of Footscray is pressured by Barnes. (Left) Barnes in an aggressive mood against South Korean opponents. (Right bottom) Hilton Silva watches on as team mate Barnes shoots for goal. (Right circle) Barnes in a heading duel with South Melbourne's George Christopoulos. (Right) Barnes takes a headlong dive after being tackled by Frank Munro of South Melbourne. Sammy Wright is in support.

# The bronzed 'Roo

Aggressive, athletic, a keen fighter. That's how national coach Rudi Gutendorf described the Australian male soon after arriving 'down under.'

The much-travelled West German said he wanted to capture the nation's 'let's have a go' attitude in the Soccerero team.

Gutendorf might since have been discouraged by the sight of a few 'Norms' sitting around drinking tinnies, but the bronzed Aussie does exist in Australian soccer.

And if Gutendorf needs his belief in the Australian male re-affirmed, he doesn't have to look past the Soccerero squad.

Murray Barnes of Sydney city has every attribute of a bronzed aussie.

The 25-year-old Australian is strong, aggressive, a straight talker, and to make the image complete, will often be found on a Sydney beach armed with a surf-board.

Barnes has youth on his side, yet he also has considerable experience in international soccer, making him an essential part of future Soccerero sides.

"But the easy-going Barnes isn't interested in getting into big raves about the future of the national team. He's out to do his best at the game he loves.

"Soccer takes up a large part of my life," said Barnes, "but what does that really matter when I love playing the game so much? Sure, there are times when we're playing in 35 degree heat and I wish I could be on the beach, or when my wife Sally gets on my back for spending too much time away.

"But I need soccer more than the beach, and Sally is really my biggest fan as well as critic."

The powerfully-built Barnes realises his

By  
KYLE PATTERSON

physique plays a major part in his playing style.

"I'm not a ball player," he said. "Skill has never been my strong point and it's unlikely my style will change.

"I like to be aggressive on the field. In midfield I get plenty of action, and can attack from behind.

"I prefer playing as a deep-lying forward, so I get the chance to score goals, as well as getting stuck in the middle of the park."

That's Barnes' way; an honest talker who doesn't dodge any questions off the field, and a dynamic player who can cut loose and create havoc.

Many soccer writers hold the opinion Barnes would be a greater asset to the Australian team as a forward. He played in midfield during Australia's 1977 World Cup preliminary matches and holds down a similar position at Sydney City.

"When I was young and fast," joked Murray, "I was a right winger. I switched to midfield around 1974 and I preferred to stay in that position.

"Rudi Gutendorf played me as a forward during a trial game before he left for South America with the under 19 team, so maybe he thinks I'm better suited to playing up front. It would be OK, if he wanted me to play as a striker. I can adjust my style fairly easily."

Barnes had a below average season in 1978 but there are a number of reasons for this.

"Early in 1978 my father died," remembers Barnes, "and that had an influence on my soccer. On top of that, I started a university course and became a full-time student.

"I hadn't studied since I did my HSC in 1971, so going back to school was strange. It added a bit more strain and I'm sure my soccer suffered."

Barnes is doing a three-year course in environmental studies, which takes in biology and earth sciences.

Barnes' career with Sydney City began nine years ago when he joined Hakoah (Sydney city's previous name) as a 16-year-old.

"I played with Kuringai as a junior," said Murray, "and was selected in a number of youth representative teams.

"I was in the under 16 state team, which was coached by Billy Stoolie. Billy was also third grade coach at Hakoah, and he asked me to come down to the club."

But Hakoah didn't know how lucky it was to get Barnes.

Barnes returned and within two seasons had played first team for Hakoah in the NSW State League.

He made his first appearance as a substitute at the age of 17 and after that tottered on the verge of a regular first team place.

The coach at the time was Dave Maclaren, now manager of South Melbourne Hellas.

"I had no gripes with Maclaren," said Barnes, "but there were a few players in the team who didn't mind one bit when he left. Then again, Maclaren is still very good friends with other players.

"Maclaren and Chaldi have different attitudes towards players. Gerry respects the players and our private lives. He tries to get an even balance so our private life isn't upset.

"Dave tended to be friends with some players but didn't want to have much to do with the rest. He treated them as soccer players who were there to do something for him and bugger everything else."

Readers will be interested to hear Barnes' opinion of Jimmy Shoulder.

"Jim was a good coach," he said, "but he didn't have enough experience at handling people. The national side was only his second or third team."

Expect big things from Barnes, the bronzed Aussie, this season.

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# Hertha visit for Corio's anniversary

Fourth Division Corio hopes to organise a visit by West German amateur team Hertha Berlin to celebrate its silver anniversary in 1980.

Hertha Berlin, which has made several tours of Australia including one late last season, has close ties with the German-backed Corio.

Corio president Harry Pettig

## 'Boro rockets towards the top

Eight years ago a group of Mauritian migrants started a soccer club in the Springvale area, not realising they were starting one of the biggest success stories seen since Mooroolbark went from the Fourth Division to the national league in 10 years.

Keysborough, previously known as Nth. Springvale, is preparing for its first season in the Metropolitan Division Four after a whirlwind rise from obscurity.

The club spent six seasons in the District League, winning the championship twice, finishing second once and winning the District League Cup once.

The Keysborough reserve side won the District League Reserve Cup on one occasion. But it was in 1977, when admitted to the Provisional League Division Two, that Keysborough took off in a blaze of glory.

In its first season in higher company the club won promotion, finished second behind local rivals Nth. Dandenong (no connection with Keysborough, despite adoption of that club's former name).

Last season, Keysborough once again won promotion. The success of the club can be put down to the quality of players. Keysborough had several top Mauritian players to spearhead its rise.

They included Albert Chung, Charles Jean, Sylvio Durand, Gerry Grenouille, Guy Conal and Cyril Schellbeck.

Durand transferred to Hakoh soon after coming to Australia, and played in the State League for several years. Keysborough later bought him back for \$2,500.

Keysborough changed its name after the Springvale council persuaded the club to move to the south of the suburb. In the north and central areas, First Division Springvale City was the main club and if Keysborough had stayed its long-term development would be hindered.

Keysborough now has a good ground, complete with a sprinkler system and drainage. The Coomooroo Road Reserve has clubrooms and a car park, and with 250 financial members the club can look forward to continued growth.

Keysborough's coach this season is Max Scapron, who played with the club for four years and was physical fitness trainer for the past three.

has several close friends within the Hertha club.

Corio wants to organise a tournament involving Hertha and several top Victorian teams. Corio would be represented by a Geelong Select XI.

The last time a Geelong combined team played Hertha Berlin, the result was a 3/1 victory for the visitors.

Joe Malecic of Corio saved a total whitewash by scoring Geelong's lone goal.

Corio was established 25 years ago, but 1979 is the club's 24th year of soccer.

John Slade has been appointed coach for the 1979 season. A few players have yet to resign, but Corio is hopeful of retaining most of its playing staff.

Players expected to produce big things this season are Phil Gladbach, Steve Nickovski, Malenko Bosnjak and Rodney Van der Chap.

Corio's new dressing rooms at Hume Reserve have been completed. Work began last September, and now Corio offers separate changing and showering facilities for home and away teams, and a referees' changeroom.

## M'land builds

Moreland, which returns to the First Division after a 10-year absence, is negotiating with four players to bolster the club's playing staff.

Coach Sandy Henderson, re-appointed after guiding Moreland to second spot in the Second Division, and promotion, believes his team needs strengthening for the higher division.

Moreland has lost only one player from its 1978 squad. Johnny Wallace, who had been with the club two seasons, is expected to transfer to Third Division Park Rangers.

On the administration side, Archie Tannahill has replaced Bob Murdoch as secretary.

Murdoch is now vice-president.

# NIGHTS FOR 'MEADOWS'?

Third Division Broadmeadows is planning to play several of its home matches this season under lights at Laura Douglas Reserve.

The ground has excellent flood-lighting, and the club is anxious to make the most of its asset.

Since the opening of Broadmeadows clubrooms and floodlight ground in 1975, only one official night game has been played, a Cumberland Cup fixture.

In order to play league or cup games at night, Broadmeadows would have to get permission from the Victorian Soccer Federation, and agreement from the opposing club.

During the warmer months of the season, night games would help players and give spectators a novelty. The idea is worth following.



# Victorian Metropolitan League



Father Richard Gamanski (second left, standing) with the junior team he coached at Polonia. Gamanski is trying to lure some of the players to Ardeer, where he is senior coach.

# LORD MAYOR JOINS PRAHRAN CITY

Prahran City, the oldest soccer club in Victoria, has made the Lord Mayor of Melbourne, Councillor Ivan Rockman, its number one ticket holder.

The late Sir Robert Menzies and the late Harry Dockerty, a famous name in the history of Victorian soccer, were two others to have graced Prahran's leading membership position.

The new administration at Prahran has decided to revive

the traditional honoring of a public figure, after the idea had been dropped a couple of seasons back.

Prahran, established in 1881, is fast approaching its 100th year, and the naming of a number one ticket holder is just one idea planned to mark the centenary year.

Prahran will once again run the Moomba Como Cup on Moomba Monday. The competition has been very successful in past seasons, and it's the 11th year for the knock out tournament.

Twelve clubs enter teams (11-a-side), and play group matches before the finals.

Presenting the trophy this season will be Tony De D'Amico, a local candidate for a seat in State Parliament.

Bill McGowan will coach Prahran this season. The former Third Lanark (Scotland) professional has represented Victoria on a number of occasions.

He played at Melbourne in the State League under former national coach Rale Rasic, and has qualified for a senior coaches badge in the Australian coaching system.

# NEW PAVILION FOR F.T.G.

Second Division Ferntree Gully is planning to 'sell' the club in the Knox area.

The club's effort to promote itself will kick off this season with the opening of a new \$90,000 pavilion.

Ferntree Gully distributed 400 posters in the local area during the early months of this season, advertising the club's junior section.

The result: a 50% increase in the number of junior players registered with the club. The number now stands at 150.

Encouraged by the results, Ferntree Gully will push on.

The club recently moved into its new ground at Knox Park, a \$250,000, 74 acre sports complex.

The pavilion, situated in the Knox Park complex, gives Ferntree Gully something to offer new club members.

The club has applied for a liquor licence for the social club, which will provide facilities for snooker and darts.

Ferntree Gully is hopeful its excellent amenities will entice back former and new club members.

The soccer club shares the Knox Park complex with the Knox-Sherbrooke Amateur Athletic club, the Knoxfield Cricket



## EMIN TO ROYALS

District League club Royal Park, which has been promoted for two years running, has signed striker Mick Emin 21 (pictured) from Albion Rovers, on a free transfer.

Emin played about 150 games for Albion as he worked his way up through the ranks from the juniors.

Royal Park official said that with the help of Emin, the club hoped to win promotion to the Fourth Division of the Metropolitan League.

## Davie leads

Norrie Davie is the new coach of Fourth Division Sandringham City.

Davie, who mastered Dandenong City's rise from the Third to the First Division a couple of years back, is an experienced coach.

He played for Melbourne, Sunshine and George Cross.

## Sign up

Melbourne Juniors will have their registration day picnic at Middle Park No. 22 oval from 11 am on Sunday, February 25.

More information is available from the secretary, Mrs Cunningham, 795 8097.

## Petersen stays at Caulfield

Former State player Hans Petersen has returned to the helm of Caulfield City after quitting because of lack of interest last season.

Petersen gave up the coaching position and concentrated on playing after the numbers at training sessions dwindled and players became apathetic.

And the way things are shaping up, Petersen could be in for another hard season.

Caulfield has lost three good players. Rene Ballerini, who played sweeper last season, has transferred to Nunawading Utd.

His brother Peter Ballerini, a winger, has turned his back on soccer and taken up Australian Rules.

Mario Belosa has joined the Police Force and is unable to devote enough time to soccer.



## NEW COACH

Mornington's Phil Talbot will break the club's service record for a player this season.

The loyal Talbot is in his 10th season with Mornington.

Mornington has appointed as coach the State representative Nick van Egmond. The former Ringwood City star last season was player/coach of Ringwood Utd.

Van Egmond has retained all Mornington's 1978 squad for the push towards the top of the Metropolitan Fourth Division.

Mornington's new president is Gordon Chatris, who is a member of the Victorian Police Force Dog Squad.

# Gamanski to lift Ardeer

Soccer clubs in the Sunshine area trying to get assistance from the local council may have more luck trying to get water from a rock.

The Sunshine municipality is governed by a commissioner after the council was dissolved over 18 months ago, but the commissioner takes on the appearance of the wicked witch of the north to local soccer clubs.

He is Mr Alex Gillon, the president of the Victorian Football Association.

Needless to say, soccer gets minimal support from local authorities.

North Sunshine and Western Suburbs are two local clubs that have had to battle the council for badly-needed ground improvements, and now, after many years suffering, Ardeer's ground has had some work done to improve its condition.

New grass has been sown, and is taking well. However, the ground has little chance once the season starts. Two senior and four junior teams play in the ground each weekend.

Ardeer spokesman Cecil Sady said the Helene St ground also had to battle the flood lighting problem.

"The extra lighting is a big boost for the player," he said. "The old lighting was adequate, but one side of the ground was not well lit at all."

"With the new lights, the whole ground is lit up extremely well."

On the topic of another ground for the club, Sady was not optimistic about Ardeer's chances.

"North Sunshine had a hard struggle getting one decent ground," he said. "So I doubt the council could spare another one for us."

Ardeer's new coach is Father Richard Gamanski, a former Polonia and Ardeer player.

Gamanski was extremely successful as a junior coach with Polonia, coaching a team to a J.L.M. Cup final victory.

He has studied coaching in England and Europe, and attended the 1978 World Cup finals in Argentina as an official member of the Polish party.

Gamanski also saw the 1974 World Cup finals, and made many contacts in West Germany.

He replaces Eddie Kupisz, who was Ardeer's coach last season. Kupisz is expected to continue playing with Ardeer.

# ZIKA NIKOLIC

Ni drugo kolo nocom tasmenija nije razveselilo najvise Makedonije, bez koje se se izgleda odigrav odigravije finale Ampol Kupa. Drugi poraz "crveno-crnih" bio je nesretniji od prvog, jer su odlucili jedanaesterac, odnosno jivi. Prema do sada najvise prijavama, protiv JUST-a (prijeteljski susret), Sunshine City je favorit za osvajanje Ampol Kupa. Ustavri, treba zaboraviti na ocekivanu dominaciju Makedonije i Croatije, jer su pored Sunshinea u prvi plan uskočili Ajax, Croydon City i Hakabois. A to je sto najvise plati ljubitelje nogometa, da se finalna utakmica moze odigrati pred praznim gledateljstvom. Jer bez Croatije i Makedonije nema punih tribina.

Ovog petka uvece na Olympic Parku igraju se dve utakmice za Ampol KUP, koje ce pratiti resti sudbini Makedonije i Croatije. U prvom susretu sastaju se Makedonija i Altona, a u drugom Sjaj i Croatia.

Pred prepunim igralistom u Footscrayu JUST je pobedio Aleksandra sa 3:2 (2:1) za takozvani "Kup prijateljstva", ali pehar niko nije video. Sudija, koji je bio najslabija tacka ove utakmice, zabravio je na crvenom polju ovog turnira, a je posle oba tima u sudionicu. Uprave ce se verovatno dogovoriti da treca utakmica odluci kome ce pehar pripasti. Prvi susret je dobio Aleksandra sa 2:1, a drugi JUST sa 3:2.

Kao i ranijih godina, tako je ovog puta JUST odusevljavao lepom igrom, koja nije bila dovoljno efikasna. Prema prijavama igra i sama JUST je mogao da pobedi najmanje sa 2-3 gola razlike, a na kraju je morao da strepi od poraza. Trener Cede Ciricov prvi put nije menjao igru, iako je bilo potrebno da se navala osvezi sa dva nova igrica, bar pred kraj igre. Najbolji i najvise plasirani igri JUST-a je nesumnjivo Joe Palinkas. Iz utakmice u utakmicu njegova forma raste, jer neprekidno i redovno trenira. Posto je Orlerton izgleda definitivno navikao "plavi" dres, JUST-ova dva krila ce prvi put doci do trzajala. Razume se, i ako ih Orlerton pravilno iskoristi, a na njihov nacini igre. Ustavri, oni se jos uvek uigravaju, jer su svega par nedelja zajedno. Ne treba zaboraviti da ubojitu snagu navale povecavaju Jovanovic i Piccione, a najvise Lujic, iako je dobio ulogu odbranbenog igrica.

Dok je ocigledno da ce navala JUST-a u vecini slucajeva biti na visini zadatka, zabrinjava odbrana, jer olako prima golove. Ako protivnik ima jednu ili ni jednu pravu priliku, pa ipak zatrese na svakoj utakmici JUST-ovu mrezu, neko je kriv. Toga krivca ili crvice treba pronicati, iako u ovom trenutku izgleda da svi odlucuju igru.

U ovu sredu JUST igra prijateljsku utakmicu protiv Collingwooda Herculesa na svom igralistu u Footscrayu. Utakmica pocinje u 6 sati po podne. Uprava "plavih" tadodje vodi pregovore da iduce nedelje devede sampiona Australije, Hellasa iz Adelaide. O tome cete vise saznanati preko dnevne stampe.

KEILOR CITY, koji od ove godine ukljujujemo u ovu rubriku, pobedio je prosle subote Bell Park sa 3:2 (2:2) za novonosovani "Memorial Towner Burnsa". Dva gola je postigao Vlado Kotekovski, a treći Downard iz penala. U subotu 25. februara, Keilor City gostuje u Tranteru, gde igra protiv istoimenog kluba za Dockerty Cup, a u nedelju 26. februara protiv Doncaster Roversa za "Memorial Towner Burnsa".

Drugi tim JUST-a je proslog "vik-end" lose prosao. "Plavi" su igrali sistem koji se zove uspravnik. Ali nisu protivnika uspravili vec sebe. U subotu je Melbourne pobedio drugi tim JUST-a sa 3:0 (1:0), iako je bilo vise uzbuđenja i opasnosti pred Melbournevom golom. Ali tri obicne skolske greške Ivica Karica, Dany Acavskog i Johna Tilvskog bile su dovoljne da Melbourne pobedi sa visokim rezultatom. Slicno se dogodilo u nedelju protiv Aleksandra. Za razliku, JUST je ovog puta poveo sa 1:0. Gol je postigao Vlado Belic, koji je igrao pobedjen. Medjutim, posle ovog gola odbrana se proradila, umesto da zbilje svoje redove, pa je Aleksandra snirao golove kako je htio i kad je htio. Krajnji rezultat 5:1 (4:1) za Aleksandra.

U narednu prvu utakmicu protiv Melbourne, reserve Melbourne je pobedio rezervu drugog tima JUST-a sa 3:2 (2:2). Golove su dali Dracke Nedeljkovski i Sulejman Curovic.

Iduce subote drugi tim JUST-a igra protiv Wiltone/Vojvodine za Dockerty Cup. Utakmica se igra na JUST-ovom igralistu u Footscrayu. Na pagiru JUST je bio favorit protiv Wiltone/Vojvodine utakmice, koje su "plavi" izgubili ubedljivo. Vojvodina moze iako da se nadje u drugom kolu Dockerty Kupa.

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**Oakleigh honors**

The ex-president of South Oakleigh, Mr C. Alavers (right above) recently awarded commemorative trophies to players Bill and George Kamblyakis (left) and to the player-trainer, Manco Millos (second from right) for their services in winning the 1978 championships in the 1st division of the Victorian District League.

**Nick van Egmond**

**NEW COACH**

Mornington's Phil Talbot will break the club's service record for a player this season.

The loyal Talbot is in his 10th season with Mornington.

Mornington has appointed as coach the State representative Nick van Egmond. The former Ringwood City star last season was player/coach of Ringwood Utd.

Van Egmond has retained all Mornington's 1978 squad for the push towards the top of the Metropolitan Fourth Division.

Mornington's new president is Gordon Chatris, who is a member of the Victorian Police Force Dog Squad.







# MONEY MAGIC

## with Michael Morley

Over the past three weeks I've recommended some planned entries using 14, 15 and 16 selections.

There are pools punters who want to cover more matches, and it is with them in mind that I dedicate this week's article.

As I previously mentioned, the more games we cover, the better are our chances of success, providing that we arrange our selections for a planned entry.

If we cover up to 16 matches we can make a pretty tight plan for a reasonable outlay. Once we go beyond that number of selections — the cost to maintain a good cover will increase sharply.

My plan for this week uses 22 matches, and in view of this large number of selections — I have attempted to provide a fair cover for a moderate investment.

The plan will require 12 entries of system 11 and at 50 cents an entry the bet will cost \$6.00. This will involve filling in three of the special entry forms for system 11, where four entries can be made on each form.

There are many ways in which 22 matches can be arranged into a planned entry. My 12 entries from 22 matches were arrived at by taking the permutations of 11 from 22 and not using any two matches in consecutive order. For the benefit of the readers who like to see the patterns of numbers — I have made an example list of entries for this type of plan — using match Nos. 1-22. They are as follows:

1 3 5 7 9 11 13 15 17 19 21  
1 3 5 7 9 11 13 15 17 19 21  
1 3 5 7 9 11 13 15 17 20 22  
1 3 5 7 9 11 13 15 18 20 22  
1 3 5 7 9 11 13 16 18 20 22  
1 3 5 7 9 11 14 16 18 20 22  
1 3 5 7 9 12 14 16 18 20 22  
1 3 5 7 10 12 14 16 18 20 22  
1 3 5 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22  
1 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22  
2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22

(Permutation of 11 from 22 with no two matches taken in consecutive order = 12)

To explain a little more on the mechanics of this plan I would like to look at a highly possible sequence of results. For the purpose of showing the points, the outcome of 22 matches on the Soccerpools could be something like the following:

1 3 2 1 1 3 1 3 1 1 1 3 1 3 1 3 2 1 1

You will note that from this sequence it is possible to extract eight score draws where none of them fall consecutively.

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A sequence such as this would fall in the last of the example entries.

The non-consecutive pairs of matches only apply from the 22 selections. Once we have grouped these into our 12 system entries — each entry becomes a full permutation of eight from 11. It doesn't matter then whether the score draws fall consecutively or otherwise — each score draw will count.

This planned entry will cover 12x165 = 1,980 lines.

A full permutation of eight from 22 = 319,770 lines.

A permutation of eight from 22 with no two matches taken in consecutive order = 6,435 lines. When I pointed out earlier that his plan would provide a fair cover — I think you would agree that this is a reasonable view. Perhaps this will also serve as an insight into the involvement when tackling a large number of matches.

If you would like to try this plan I have left a blank line in the diagram for your selections.

● With eight score draws in any one of the 12 system entries — a first dividend would be assured.

● If there are 9 or 10 score draws anywhere among the 22 matches — there would be a good chance of scooping some minor prizes.

Until next week, good luck and good punting.

### 22 MATCH PLAN

#### M.S. Y.S. = YOURS OR MY SELECTIONS

M.S.	3	4	5	9	10	11	18	20	23	24	28	29	31	33	38	39	42	43	44	47	55
Y.S.																					
ENTRY	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
" 2	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
" 3	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
" 4	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
" 5	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
" 6	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
" 7	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
" 8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
" 9	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
" 10	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
" 11	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
" 12	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Results of all 55 matches on the pools coupon this weekend have been decided by the British Pools Panel following cancellation of play due to poor weather conditions. Following the panel assessment, there were 10 score draws and five scoreless draws.

Score draws were: 6, 17, 21, 24, 35, 41, 43, 45, 54 and 55.

Scoreless draws were: 8, 13, 14, 29 and 30.

Results of today's English and Scottish Football matches were:

English Division 1

Southampton 3 Everton 0

England Division 2

Brighton and Hove Albion 0 Arsenal 0

Leicester City 2 Newcastle United 1

English Division 3

Plymouth 1 Cardiff United 0

English Division 4

Wigan Athletic 2 Huddersfield Town 0

Scottish Division 1

St Mirren 1 Motherwell 0 (postponed Feb. 20)

Scottish Division 2

Clydebank 3 Hamilton Academical 1

All other matches postponed.

Scottish League

Brigford 1 Rangers 2

Charlton 0 Yeovil 0

All other scheduled matches and all northern premier league matches postponed.

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE

HOME AWAY

Liverpool 22 11 0 20 9 3 6 2 31 7 37

Arsenal 26 5 8 19 12 6 3 3 19 10 36

Everton 28 4 9 14 11 2 4 4 10 22 26

Wolves 23 6 3 12 3 8 2 2 5 14 34

Leeds 27 4 2 24 13 5 7 2 23 19 33

Nottingham 22 4 6 11 2 1 4 14 9 29

Sheff Wed 27 4 4 26 14 3 4 6 10 17 28

Tottenham 26 5 3 12 20 4 8 3 17 22 27

Man Utd 24 5 3 18 11 2 1 4 10 22 26

Coventry 24 4 7 12 15 2 3 7 24 25 31

Sheff Utd 22 6 2 12 12 5 4 3 15 8 24

Southampton 26 5 5 22 12 4 7 7 20 23 30

Cardiff 27 4 2 19 13 0 7 14 20 22 28

Sheff Wed 25 6 2 21 16 3 2 12 12 22 27

Sheff Wed 24 6 4 18 15 5 12 8 22 22

Man City 25 3 3 10 19 2 6 17 14 21

Sheff Wed 24 4 3 18 13 2 3 14 22 18

Sheff Wed 22 3 7 18 12 1 8 10 28 18

Wolves 25 6 2 14 18 1 10 10 28 17

Sheff Wed 24 2 7 12 12 4 7 15 28 14

Sheff Wed 25 2 3 14 17 0 13 7 25 9

ENGLISH DIVISION TWO

HOME AWAY

Brighton 27 11 2 23 9 3 3 14 18 33

Crystal Palace 26 7 5 21 16 1 4 11 9 23

Sheff Wed 26 7 4 14 20 4 7 10 13 33

West Ham 24 8 3 21 11 4 3 4 17 15 30

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ENGLISH DIVISION THREE

HOME AWAY

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SCOTTISH DIVISION ONE

HOME AWAY

Rangers 26 7 4 11 19 2 4 6 18 24

St Mirren 21 6 1 31 7 2 4 4 12 24

Dundee 20 6 3 11 7 2 4 4 10 22

Partick 19 6 1 15 14 2 2 8 12 27

Aberdeen 20 5 2 20 8 1 6 3 11 21

Morton 21 5 2 17 17 3 2 5 9 12

Celtic 18 4 2 12 5 2 2 4 16 18

Hearts 20 2 7 11 10 3 2 5 12 14

Hibernian 20 2 5 10 12 3 2 5 12 14

Norwich 21 1 7 10 11 1 1 6 11 20

Sheff Wed 21 1 7 10 11 1 1 6 11 20

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# ACTION-FILLED SUNDAY FOR MELBOURNE

Having already beaten South Melbourne and Fitzroy, Footscray J.U.S.T. will take on 1978 Phillips League champion West Adelaide at Schintler Reserve, Footscray at 5 pm on Sunday.

It is one of three PSL practice games to be played in Melbourne on the same day and at the same time.

Rale Rasic's Adelaide City will meet South Melbourne at Middle Park at 5 pm on Sunday.

And Rasic's former club, Marconi, will meet Fitzroy at 5 pm at the Olympic Park greyhound track.

Footscray will meet Collingwood City tonight (Wednesday) at 6 pm at Schintler Reserve, Footscray.

## Boland wants transfer

FOOTSCRAY JUST 3 (Palinkas 16th & 65th, Orlerton 37th) FITZROY 2 (Cole 36th, Taylor 78th) at Schintler Reserve.

FOOTSCRAY Potter — Iloski, Jovicic, Kondorovic, Lujic — Ristic, Picoane, Jovanovic — Palinkas, Orlerton, Ristic.

FITZROY Manner (Over half time) — McMillan, O'Reilly, Provan, Tansley — Rooney, Campbell, Micevski (Taylor half time) — Bozakis, Cole, Buljevic.

Footscray J.U.S.T. has gained a fine goalkeeper in Steve Potter, who played almost 200 games for Swansea in England, but now Dennis Boland wants a transfer.